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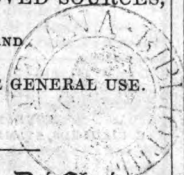
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TABLE OF MOVEABLE FEASTS.

Anno Domini.	Ash Wednesday.	Easter Sunday.	Whit- Sunday.	First Sunday of Advent.
1837	Feb. 8	Mar. 26	May 14	Dec. 3
1838	— 28	Apr. 15	June 3	— 2
1839	— 13	Mar. 31	May 19	— 1
1840	Mar. 4	Apr. 19	June 7	Nov. 29
1841	Feb. 24	Apr. 11	May 30	Nov. 28
1842	— 9	Mar. 27	— 15	— 27
1843	Mar. 1	Apr. 16	June 4	Dec. 3
1844	Feb. 21	— 7	May 26	— 1
1845	Feb. 5	Mar. 23	May 11	Nov. 30
1846	— 25	Apr. 12	— 31	— 29
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1848	Mar. 8	— 23	June 11	Dec. 3
1849	Feb. 21	Apr. 8	May 27	Dec. 2
1850	— 13	Mar. 31	— 19	— 1
1851	Mar. 5	Apr. 20	June 8	Nov. 30
1852	Feb. 25	— 11	May 30	— 28
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1855	Feb. 21	— 8	May 27	— 2
1856	— 6	Mar. 23	— 11	Nov. 30

Morning Prayer.

IN the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessed be the holy and undivided Tri-
nity, now, and for ever. Amen.

OUR Father, who art in heaven, hallowed
be thy name: thy kingdom come: thy will
be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give
us this day our daily bread; and forgive us
our trespasses, as we forgive them who tres-
pass against us. And lead us not into temp-
tation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

HAIL Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with
thee: blessed art thou among women, and
blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sin-
ners, now, and at the hour of our death.
Amen.

apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints,
to pray to the Lord our God for me.

The great and glorious, Lord of heaven
and earth have mercy on me, forgive me
my sins, and bring me to everlasting life.
Amen.

May the almighty and merciful God give
me pardon, absolution, and full remission of
all my sins. Amen.

ALMIGHTY Lord and God, who hast
brought us to the beginning of this day, let
thy powerful grace so conduct us through it,
that we may not fall into any sins, but that
all our thoughts, words, and actions, may be
regulated according to the rules of thy hea-
venly justice, and tend to the observance of
thy holy law: through the merits of Jesus
Christ our Lord. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who, dwelling in the
highest heavens, vouchsafeth to regard the
lowest creatures upon earth, I humbly adore
Thy sacred majesty, and with all the forces
of my soul exalt and praise thy holy name,
for the infinite blessings thou hast so freely
bestowed on me: for electing me in thy love,

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth ; and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried ; he descended into hell ; the third day he rose again from the dead ; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost ; the Holy Catholic Church ; the communion of saints ; the forgiveness of sins ; the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

I CONFESS to Almighty God, to blessed Mary ever Virgin, to blessed Michael the archangel, to blessed John the Baptist, to the holy apostles Peter and Paul, and to all the Saints, that I have sinned exceedingly in thought, word, and deed, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault. Therefore I beseech the blessed Mary ever Virgin, the blessed Michael the Archangel, the blessed John the Baptist, the holy

apostles Peter and Paul, and all the Saints, to pray to the Lord our God for me.

The great and glorious Lord of heaven and earth have mercy on me, forgive me my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.

May the almighty and merciful God give me pardon, absolution, and full remission of all my sins. Amen.

ALMIGHTY Lord and God, who hast brought us to the beginning of this day, let thy powerful grace so conduct us through it, that we may not fall into any sins, but that all our thoughts, words, and actions, may be regulated according to the rules of thy heavenly justice, and tend to the observance of thy holy law: through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who, dwelling in the highest heavens, vouchsafeth to regard the lowest creatures upon earth, I humbly adore Thy sacred majesty, and with all the forces of my soul exalt and praise thy holy name, for the infinite blessings thou hast so freely bestowed on me: for electing me in thy

in all the miseries and crosses of this world, absolutely submit to Thy divine pleasure, and wholly rely on Thy merciful providence. Let Thy blessings be upon my actions, and Thy grace direct my intentions, that the whole course of my life, and the principal design of my heart, may always tend to the advancement of Thy glory, the good of others, and the eternal salvation of my own soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour, who, with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

Give me grace, O Lord, to do what Thou commandest, and command what Thou pleasest.

Give me grace to suffer what Thou permittest, and permit what Thou pleasest.

The blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon me, and dwell in my heart for ever. Amen.

A Devout Recommendation, which may be used every morning, or at any other time.

INTO the hands of Thy unspeakable mercy, Lord, I commend my soul and body, my

me this day in all my calamities, temptations, and dangers; but especially at the hour of my death, vouchsafe not to depart from me, that, by thy prayers and protection, I may be safe in that last and dangerous battle. Amen.

A Prayer to our Guardian Angel.

O ANGEL of God, to whose holy care I am committed, by the supernal clemency, illuminate, defend, and govern me this day, in all my thoughts, words, and actions. Amen.

Bless us, O Lord, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to eternal life: and may the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

A Blessing.

THE peace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the virtue of his sacred passion, the sign of the holy cross, the purity and humility of the blessed Virgin Mary, the protection of the angels, the intercession of all the saints and the elect of God, be with me, defend me now and in the hour of my death, sweet Jesus. Amen.

else the Catholic Church proposes to be believed, and this because God, who is the sovereign truth, which can neither deceive nor be deceived, has revealed all these things to this His Church.

An Act of Hope.

O MY God, relying on Thy almighty power, and Thy infinite mercy and goodness, and because Thou art faithful to Thy promises, I trust in Thee that Thou wilt grant me forgiveness of my sins, through the merits of Jesus Christ Thy Son: and that Thou wilt give me the assistance of Thy grace, with which I may labour to continue to the end in the diligent exercise of all good works, and may deserve to obtain the glory which Thou hast promised in heaven.

An Act of Charity.

O LORD, my God, I love Thee with my whole heart, and above all things, because Thou, O God, art the sovereign good; and for Thy own infinite perfections, art most worthy of all love. And, for Thy sake, I also love my neighbour as myself.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit, and our hearts will be regenerated.

R. And Thou wilt renew the face of the earth.

Place yourself in the presence of God, and give Him thanks for all the benefits you have received from Him, particularly this day.

O MY God, I firmly believe Thou art here, and perfectly seest me, and that Thou observest all my actions, all my thoughts, and the most secret motions of my heart. Thou watchest over me with incomparable love, every moment bestowing favours, and preserving me from evil. Blessed be Thy holy name, and may all creatures bless Thy goodness for the benefits I have ever received from Thee, and particularly this day. May the saints and angels supply my defect in rendering Thee due thanks. Never permit me to be so base and wicked as to repay Thy bounties with ingratitude, and thy blessings with offences and injuries.

Ask our Lord Jesus Christ grace to discover the sins you have committed this day; and beg of Him a true sorrow for them.

O MY Lord Jesus Christ, judge of the living and the dead, before whom I must appear one day to give an exact account of my whole life ; enlighten me, I beseech Thee, and give me a humble and contrite heart, that I may see wherein I have offended Thy infinite Majesty : and judge myself now with such a just severity, that then Thou mayest judge me with mercy and clemency.

Here examine what sins you have committed this day, by thought, word, deed, or omission. But if nothing occur to your mind wherein you have offended, reflect again on the chief sins of your life past. Then conceive a great sorrow for having offended God, and say,

O MY God ! I detest these and all other sins which I have committed against Thy divine Majesty. I am extremely sorry that I have offended Thee, because Thou art infinitely good, and sin displeases Thee. I love Thee with my whole heart, and firmly purpose, by the help of Thy grace, never more to offend

Thee. I resolve to avoid the occasions of sin; I will confess them, and will endeavour to make satisfaction for them. Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy and pardon me, a wretched sinner. In the name of Thy beloved Son, Jesus, I humbly beg of Thee so to wash me with his precious blood, that my sins may be entirely remitted.

Endeavour as much as possible to put yourself in the condition you desire to be found in at the hour of death.

O MY God! I accept of death as a homage and adoration which I owe to Thy divine Majesty, as a punishment justly due to my sins, in union with the death of my dear Redeemer, and as the only means of coming to Thee, my beginning and last end.

I firmly believe all the sacred truths the Catholic Church believes and teaches, because Thou hast revealed them. And by the assistance of Thy holy grace, I am resolved to live and die in the communion of this Thy Church.

Relying upon thy goodness, power, and promises, I hope to obtain pardon of my sins, and life everlasting, through the merits of

Thy Son, Jesus Christ, my only Redeemer, and by the intercession of His blessed Mother, and all the saints.

I love Thee with all my heart and soul, and desire to love Thee as the blessed do in heaven. I adore all the designs of Thy divine providence, resigning myself entirely to Thy will.

I also love my neighbour for Thy sake, as I love myself; I sincerely forgive all that have injured me, and ask pardon of all I have injured.

I renounce the devil, with all his works; the world, with all its pomps; the flesh, with all its temptations.

I desire to be dissolved, and to be with Christ. Father, into Thy hands I commend my spirit; Lord Jesus, receive my soul.

May the blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and all the saints, pray for us to our Lord, that we may be preserved this night from sin and all evils.

Blessed St. Michael, defend us in the day of battle, that we may not be lost at the dreadful judgment.

O my good angel, whom God, by his divine mercy, has appointed to be my guar-

dian, protect me from the dangers of this night. Amen.

Almighty God, have mercy on us, and, our sins being forgiven, bring us to life everlasting. Amen.

The almighty and merciful Lord give us pardon, absolution, and remission of our sins. Amen.

Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this night without sin.

Have mercy on us, O Lord! have mercy on us.

Let Thy mercy, O Lord! be poured upon us, according to the hopes we have placed in Thee.

Lord, hear my prayer. And let my supplication come to Thee.

Let us Pray.

VISIT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, this house, and family, and drive from it all snares of our enemy: let Thy angels dwell herein, who may keep us in peace, and may thy blessing be always upon us: through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

May our Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and bring us to life everlasting;

and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer.

BLESS, O Lord, the repose I am going to take, that by renewing my bodily-strength, I may be the better enabled to serve Thee.— O all ye Saints and Angels, But especially thou, O Mother of God, intercede for me, not only during this night, and the rest of my life, but more particularly at the hour of my death. Amen.

ANOTHER EXERCISE FOR THE EVENING.

Our Father. Hail Mary. The Belief.

O INFINITE goodness, I give Thee thanks from the bottom of my heart, for all Thy benefits bestowed on me, Thy unworthy servant, this day; how ungrateful have I hitherto been for all these blessings, by my repeated offences against Thee! Do Thou, O true light, which enlightenest every man that cometh into this world, enlighten my darkness, that I may see and know my failings, and knowing them, may repent of them in

the bitterness of my soul, and take instant measures to correct them.

Examination.

How have I spent this day? How have I conversed among men? Have I avoided swearing, detraction, and licentious discourse? Have I resisted temptation, or have I suffered pride, sensuality, or any other vice to lead me into evil?

O FATHER of mercies, who rejoicest not in the death of sinners, look down on me according to Thy great mercy! I grieve that I have been so ungrateful for so many of Thy blessings, and have so often offended Thee, the Supreme good; I beseech Thee to pardon whatever I have sinned against Thee, or my neighbour. O most powerful God, without whom there is nothing in man; before Thee, I firmly resolve to obey Thy will with more exactness, to correct my failings, and to avoid all the occasions of sin. Give me Thy grace to practise what I resolve, that living soberly, justly, and piously, I may praise Thee for ever in Thy eternal kingdom. Let this my desire ascend before Thee, like incense in Thy sight, and despise not this my evening

sacrifice. And do thou, O blessed Virgin Mary, and ye heavenly choirs of blessed spirits, who praise God without ceasing, commend my soul to the mercy of the great God, that I may be protected this night from the snares of the enemy, who soweth tares while we sleep. O Lord God, strengthen my faith in Thy holy mysteries, increase my hope in Thy gracious promises, and enlarge my charity towards my neighbour. Root out, by Thy grace, all sin and discord from among Thy faithful, enlighten those that are sitting in the shades of darkness, and direct their feet in the ways of peace. Preserve, O Lord, the just in their ways, comfort the sorrowful in heart, and relieve the afflicted in body, direct this family in the paths of salvation, and hear them in the day of tribulation, when they shall call upon Thee. Have mercy on those souls who sleep in Christ, give eternal rest to them, O Lord, and may the light of Thy countenance shine upon them.

O Eternal Father, by the death of Thy beloved Son, and the bowels of Thy mercy, I beseech Thee, that I may persevere in good, and die in Thy grace. Good Jesus, by Thy last words, by which Thou didst commend

Thy soul to Thy Father on the Cross, receive my spirit at the end of my life, and say to it these consoling words, "this night thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

Holy Spirit, have mercy on me, sanctify me with Thy holy inspirations now, and with Thy consolations at the hour of my death. Amen.

May the blessing of Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, descend upon me now, and remain with me for ever. Amen.

A Testament of the Soul.

To be made by a good Christian every day.

In nomine Domini. Amen.

I BEQUEATH my soul to God; my body to the earth, rottenness, and worms.

I abandon freely all temporal goods, which are but mere vanity.

I repent with all my heart of my sins, and that for the love of God.

I pardon with my heart and soul all my enemies.

I believe in God, one in essence, and three

in persons: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; creator, conservator, and remunerator; all powerful, all good, all bountiful, all wise; that the second person, who is the Son of God, became man, and died upon the cross to save me; and whatsoever the holy Catholic, Apostolic, and Roman Church doth propose unto me to believe.

I hope, from the bounty of God, through the merits of my dear Saviour Jesus Christ, for the remission of all my sins, and life everlasting.

I love God for his own sake alone, with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all strength.

I resign myself purely, entirely, and absolutely to the disposition of His most holy and always adorable will; being ready to do and suffer, to be healthy and sick, to live and die, when and after what manner He pleases: His holy will be done. Amen.

I commend my soul, and all that I am, to the intercession of the glorious Virgin Mary, my good mother and advocate; to St. Joseph, to my angel guardian, and to all the Saints in heaven, whom I most humbly beseech to assist me at the hour of my

For my last words, I say in profound humility and contrition of heart, Jesus, Maria, desiring to die in their blessed arms; and when my tongue cannot pronounce these holy names, I desire to do it with my heart.

If my heart should fail me with my judgment, I say them now for then, with all affection and possible submission, Jesus, Maria.

Nos cum prole pia, benedicat Virgo Maria.

Virgin Mother, I humbly crave
Thy blessing, and thy Son's, to have.

A Universal Prayer.

For all Things necessary to Salvation.

O MY God, I believe in Thee; do Thou strengthen my faith. All my hopes are in Thee; do Thou secure them. I love Thee with my whole heart; teach me to love Thee daily more and more. I am sorry that I have offended Thee; do Thou increase my sorrow.

I adore Thee as my first beginning. I

aspire to Thee as my last end. I give Thee thanks as my constant benefactor. I call upon Thee as my sovereign protector.

Vouchsafe, O my God, to conduct me by thy wisdom, to restrain me by Thy justice, to comfort me by Thy mercy, and to defend me by Thy power.

To Thee I desire to consecrate all my thoughts, words, actions, and sufferings, that henceforward I may think of Thee, speak of Thee, and willingly refer all my actions to Thy greater glory, and suffer willingly whatever Thou shalt appoint.

Lord, I desire that in all things Thy will may be done, because it is Thy will, and in the manner that thou willest.

I beg of Thee to enlighten my understanding, to inflame my will, to purify my body, and to sanctify my soul.

Give me strength, O my God, to expiate my offences, to overcome my temptations, to subdue my passions, and to acquire the virtues proper for my state.

Fill my heart with tender affection for Thy goodness, hatred for my faults, love for my neighbours, and contempt of the world.

Let me always remember to be submissive

to my superiors, condescending to my inferiors, faithful to my friends, and charitable to my enemies.

Assist me to overcome sensuality by mortification, avarice by alms-deeds, anger by meekness, and tepidity by devotion.

O my God, make me prudent in my undertakings, courageous in dangers, patient in afflictions, and humble in prosperity.

Grant that I may be ever attentive at my prayers, temperate at my meals, diligent in my employments, and constant in my resolutions.

Let my conscience be ever upright and pure, my exterior modest, my conversation edifying, and my conduct regular.

Assist me that I may continually labour to overcome nature, to correspond with Thy grace, to keep Thy commandments, and to work out my salvation.

Discover to me, O my God, the nothingness of this world, the greatness of heaven, the shortness of time, and the length of eternity.

Grant that I may prepare for death, that I may fear Thy judgments, that I may escape

hell, and in the end obtain heaven : through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Live, Jesus, live, and let it be
My life to die for love of Thee.

Prayers before Mass.

A Prayer on going into the Church.

O LORD, in the multitude of Thy mercies I will enter Thy house ; and adore Thee in Thy Holy Temple, and confess Thy name.

When you take Holy Water, say,

SPRINKLE me, O Lord, with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed ; wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow,

A Prayer before Mass, according to the four Ends of this our Christian Sacrifice.

O MOST merciful Father, and gracious God, who hast so loved the world, as not to spare Thy only beloved Son, but delivered him up to suffer the cruel death of the Cross, for the redemption of us poor sinners ; and wilt,

moreover, have the same oblation daily renewed in the Mass, that we may apply the fruit of his sacred passion, for the benefit of our souls; grant, we humbly beseech Thee, that we may assist, with all due respect, attention, and devotion, at these adorable mysteries of Thy infinite wisdom and singular goodness, that we may be made partakers of the fruit and virtue of the bloody sacrifice of the Cross, by this unbloody oblation of the altar. And as this our Christian sacrifice contains all the virtue and perfection of those of the old law, so we offer it up to Thee in manner of the four-fold oblations of the ancient sacrifices. *First*, then, we offer it up, O Lord, in humble and sincere profession of the supreme power and dominion Thou hast over us, and all creatures; to which we willingly submit, and earnestly beg, that we and all others may have the grace constantly to do the same. *Secondly*, in satisfaction and atonement for all the sins and crimes we have ever committed, or howsoever Thy infinite Majesty has any way been displeased or offended. *Thirdly*, as a thanksgiving and grateful acknowledgment of all the favours and blessings bestowed on us in general

particular. *Lastly*, that we may mercifully obtain of Thy divine goodness, what Thou knowest we stand most in need of, either for our soul or body. (*Here may be added in particular, what each want for themselves or others, living or dead.*) With these dispositions and intentions, we approach, O God, this day to Thy altar, relying on Thy power and mercy to grant our petitions, and supply us with grace for the performing of our duty: through the divine merits of the sacred death and passion of Thy only Son, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

Anthems

AT

SPRINKLING THE HOLY WATER.

Before Solemn Mass, from Trinity to Palm Sunday inclusively, the following Anthem is sung:

ASPERGES me, Do- SPRINKLE me with
mine, hyssopo, et mun- hyssop, O Lord, and
dabor; lavabis me, et I shall be cleansed;

super nivem dealba- wash me and I shall
bor. be whiter than snow.

Ps. Miserere mei, *Ps.* Have mercy on
Deus, secundum mag- me, O God, according
nam misericordiam to thy great mercy.
tuam.

V. Gloria Patri, &c. *V.* Glory, &c.

Ant. Asperges me, *Ant.* Sprinkle me,
&c. &c.

*The Priest, being returned to the foot of the
Altar, says :*

V. Ostende nobis, *V.* Show us, O Lord,
Domine, misericor- thy mercy.
diam tuam.

R. Et salutare tu- *R.* And grant us
um da nobis. thy salvation.

V. Domine, exaudi *V.* O Lord, hear my
orationem meam. prayer.

R. Et clamor meus *R.* And let my cry
ad te veniat. come unto thee.

V. Dominus vobis- *V.* The Lord be
cum. with you.

R. Et cum spiritu *R.* And with thy
tuo. spirit.

For the Prayer *Exaudi* see next page.

From Easter to Whitsunday inclusively, instead of the foregoing, the following Anthem is sung, and Alleluias are added to the V. Ostende nobis, and its R. Et Salutare, &c.

<p>VIDI aquam egredientem de templo à latere dextro, <i>Alleluia</i>; et omnes ad quos pervenit aqua ista, salvi facti sunt, et dicent, <i>Alleluia.</i></p>	<p>I SAW water flowing from the right side of the temple, <i>Alleluiah</i>; and all to whom that water came were saved, and they shall say, <i>Alleluia.</i></p>
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<p><i>Ps.</i> Confitemini Domino, quoniam bonus; quoniam in sæculum misericordia ejus. Gloria.</p>	<p><i>Ps.</i> Praise the Lord, because he is good; because his mercy endureth for ever. Glory, &c.</p>
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The Prayer, Exaudi.

HEAR us, O holy Lord, almighty Father, eternal God, and vouchsafe to send Thy angel from heaven to guard, cherish, protect, visit, and defend all that are assembled in this place; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Manner of hearing Mass.

IN the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

I will draw near Thy altar, O my God,
there to gain new strength and vigour to my
soul, and by Thy grace separate me from
those unbelievers who have no trust in Thee.

That grace which comforts me, when the
remembrance of my sins afflicts and casts
me down.

That grace which lets me know there is
an everlasting refuge in Thy goodness, and
that Thou art ready to forgive even our
greatest sins upon a sincere repentance.

*The people may say the Confiteor after the
Priest, or as follows:*

I CONFESS then and acknowledge, O my
God, not only to Thee, to whom the secrets
of my heart are already known, but also to
that sacred assembly of saints which are
eternally blessed with Thy presence, to all
about me, that are here present, groaning
under the burden of sin, that I have infi-
nitely offended Thee in my thoughts, in my

words, and in my actions; and that nothing but Thy infinite mercy can equal my sins; therefore, I beseech those favourites of heaven, that are always attending Thy divine majesty, to intercede for me: And, first, that glorious and perpetual Virgin, Thy ever blessed mother; then Thy pure and holy angels, and all Thy saints, who are inflamed with divine charity; and lastly, all those who here below are endeavouring, though at a distance, to follow their great example.

After the Confiteor.

O MY GOD, who hast commanded us to pray for one another, and in Thy holy church hast given, even to sinners, the power of absolving us from sin; receive with an equal bounty, the prayers of Thy people for the priest, and those of Thy priest for the people.

When the Priest is going up to the Altar.

UNITE, O Lord, our hearts and our wills, and remove from us every thing that may any way make us unfit for appearing in thy sanctuary.

Though we are unworthy of ourselves, yet our comfort is, we are the legitimate pos-

terity of those blessed saints, whose sacred relics are placed near Thy holy altars. Grant then, through their prayers, what Thou mayst justly refuse us through the slothful tepidity of ours, and forgive us all our sins.

At the Introit, or when the Priest goes first to the Book.

GRANT, Lord, we may be truly prepared for the offering of this great sacrifice to Thee this day; and because our sins alone can render us displeasing to Thee, therefore, we call aloud to Thee for mercy.

At the Kyrie Eleison.

HAVE mercy on me, O Lord, and forgive me all my sins: and though I have nothing of my own to move thy goodness, yet let my importunity prevail; have mercy on me, O Lord, have mercy on me.

Gloria in Excelsis.

GLORIA in excelsis	GLORY be to God on
Deo, et in terrâ pax	high, and on earth
hominibus bonæ vo-	peace to men of good
luntatis. Laudamus	will. We praise Thee,

te, benedicimus te, adoramus te, glorificamus te. Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam, Domine Deus, Rex cœlestis, Deus Pater omnipotens. Domini Fili unigenite Jesu Christe. Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris, qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis. Qui tollis peccata mundi suscipe deprecationem nostram. Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis. Quoniam Tu solus sanctus, Tu solus Dominus, Tu solus altissimus, Jesu Christe, cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloriâ Dei Patris. Amen.

we bless Thee, we adore Thee, we glorify Thee. We give Thee thanks for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father almighty. O Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son. O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, who takest away the sins of the world, have mercy on us. Who takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayers. Who sittest at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For Thou only art holy, Thou only art the Lord, Thou only, O Jesus Christ, together with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

When the Priest turns to the People and says
Dominus Vobiscum.

BE Thou always with us, O my God, and
let Thy grace never depart from us.

*While the Priest is saying the Collects, or
Prayers of the Day, the People may thus
join with him:*

ALMIGHTY and eternal God, we humbly
beseech Thee, mercifully to give ear to the
prayers of Thy servant, which he offers Thee
in the name of Thy church, and in behalf of
us Thy people: accept them to the honour
of Thy name, and good of our souls: and
grant us all those blessings which may any-
wise contribute to our salvation: through
Jesus Christ. Amen.

On a Sunday, or Holyday, may be said:

O GOD, who never forsakest those that put
their trust in Thee, mercifully hear our pray-
ers; and since our weakness is such, that
without Thee we can do nothing, grant us
the daily assistance of Thy grace, that, in
observing Thy commandments, we may ever
be acceptable to Thee: through our Lord
Jesus Christ. Amen.

On the Festival of a Saint.

GRANT, we beseech Thee, Almighty God, that the example of Thy saints may effectually move us to reform our lives, that whilst we celebrate their festivals, we may also imitate their actions : through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

At the Epistle.

THOU hast taught us, O Lord, by thy prophets and apostles ; grant we may so improve by their doctrine and example, in the love of Thy holy name, that we may manifest in our lives whose disciples we are ; that though we live amidst corruption, we may not follow the inclinations of flesh and blood ; but having mastered all our passions, we may be directed by Thy light, be strengthened by Thy grace, walk in perfect observance of Thy law, and serve Thee with clean hearts.

At the Gradual.

HOW wonderful, O Lord, is Thy name through the whole earth ! I will bless Thee, Lord, at all times : Thy praise shall be ever in my mouth. Be Thou my God and my

protector. In Thee alone will I put my trust ; let me not be confounded for ever.

When the Priest stands bowing down before the Middle of the Altar, and the Book is removed to the other side.

WHAT ears, O Lord, are fit to hear Thy gospel, or heart to receive it, except they are first prepared by Thy sanctifying grace? Let the fire, then, of Thy love, have the same effect on us as the fire of Thy altar had on the prophet Isaiah ; for thus only, O Lord, will Thy holy word be to us a means of life, and never rise in judgment against us.

At the Gospel.

IMPRINT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, the maxims and rules of Thy gospel deep in our hearts, that, while we profess ourselves Christians, we may not live like Heathens. What will it profit me, if I know thy will and do it not?—if I hear thy law, and keep it not? This will be only to turn the food of life into poison, and make the way to happiness the increase of my damnation. Deliver me, O God, from this error ; and so perfectly at present possess my heart, t'

my rebellious appetites being over-ruled by Thy grace, I may henceforth live in the denial of myself, and, like Thy true servants, only hear and follow Thee.

The Nicene Creed.

CREDO in unum	I BELIEVE in one
Deum, Patrem omni-	God, the Father
potentem, factorem	almighty, maker of
cœli et terræ, visibi-	heaven and earth, and
lium omnium et invi-	of all things visible
sibilium.	and invisible.

Et in unum Domi-	And in one Lord
num Jesum Chris-	Jesus Christ, the only
tum, Filium Dei uni-	begotten Son of God,
genitum. Et ex Patre	and born of the Fa-
natum ante omnia	ther before all ages.
æcula. Deum de	God of God, light of
Deo, lumen de lumi-	light, true God of true
ne, Deum verum de	God. Begotten, not
Deo vero. Genitura	made. Consubstantial
non factum, consub-	to the Father, by
stantialem Patri: per	whom all things were
quem omnia facta	made. Who for us
sunt. Qui propter nos	men, and for our sal-
homines, et propter	vation, came down
nostram salutem, de-	from heaven; and be-

scendit de cœlis. Et incarnatus est de Spiritu Sancto, ex Mariâ Virgine : ET HOMO FACTUS EST.* He came incarnate by the Holy Ghost, of the Virgin Mary : AND WAS MADE MAN.* Crucifixus etiam pro nobis, sub Pontio Pilato passus, et sepultus est. Et resurrexit tertiâ die, secundum Scripturas. Et ascendit in cœlum ; sedet ad dexteram Patris. Et iterum venturus est cum gloriâ, judicare vivos et mortuos : cujus regni non erit finis. And he was crucified also for us, suffered under Pontius Pilate, and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. And ascended into heaven, sitteth at the right hand of the Father. And he is to come again with glory, to judge both the living and the dead, of whose kingdom there shall be no end.

Et in Spiritum Sanctum, Dominum et vivificantem : qui ex Patre, Filioque procedit. Qui cum Patre And in the Holy Ghost, the Lord and giver of life, who proceedeth from the Father and the Son ;

* Kneel in reverence of Christ's incarnation

et Filio simul adora- tur, et conglorifica- tur; qui locutus est per Prophetas. Et unam sanctam Ca- tholicam, et Apostoli- cam Ecclesiam. Con- fiteor unum Baptisma in remissionem pec- catorum. Et expecto resurrectionem mor- tuum. Et vitam ven- turi sæculi. Amen.	who together with the Father and the Son, is adored and glori- fied; who spoke by the Prophets. And one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I expect the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.
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At the Offertory. When the Priest uncovers the Chalice, and offers the Host on the Paten, the People ought to offer it with him.

ACCEPT, O Eternal Father, this offering we make Thee: it is only bread as yet: but, by a miracle of Thy power and grace, Thou art going to make of it a holy and eternal host, who offers himself to Thee for the salvation of all the faithful, absent and present, living and dead. Regard not, O Lord, our misery except it be with an eye of pity; but look on that eternal Priest, Christ Jesus, who

being innocent and spotless, is continually our advocate before Thee, pleading for the remission of our sins, and the relief of our necessities.

*When the Priest, at the Corner of the Altar,
puts Wine and Water into the Chalice.*

IN Thy incarnation, O Lord, Thou hast united Thy divinity to our frail human nature; but go on still daily, we beseech Thee, with Thy works of mercy; and grant that we, Thy people, may be so truly united to Thee, that neither interest, pleasure, nor neglect, may be ever able to divide us from Thee.

*When the Priest offers the Chalice in the
Middle of the Altar.*

WE offer Thee, O Lord, the chalice of salvation, beseeching Thy clemency, that it may ascend before Thy divine Majesty, as a sweet perfume, for our salvation, and for that of the whole world.

When the Priest bows down.

ACCEPT us, O Lord, in the spirit of humility, and a contrite heart: and so may our

sacrifice be made this day in Thy sight, that it may be pleasing to Thee, O Lord God.

When he blesses the Bread and Wine, which he has offered, making the sign of the Cross over them.

THERE remains now this to be done by Thee, my Lord, that Thou come, O most holy and Almighty God, and bless and sanctify what already begins to belong to Thee.

When the Priest washes his fingers at the Corner of the Altar.

THOU, O Lord, who once vouchsafedst to wash Thy disciples' feet, before their invitation to Thy holy Table, wash us also, we beseech Thee, O Lord; and wash us again, not only our feet and hands, but our hearts, our desires, and our souls, that we may be wholly innocent and pure.

When the Priest in the Middle of the Altar, stands bowing down.

RECEIVE, O holy Trinity, this oblation we make to Thee, in memory of the passion, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ; and in honour of the ever blessed

Virgin Mary, of blessed John Baptist, of the holy apostles Peter and Paul, and of all the Saints, that it may be available to their honour and our salvation. And may they vouchsafe to intercede for us in heaven, whose memory we celebrate on earth ; through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

When he turns about and says, Orate Fratres, the People ought to pray, as he desires, saying:

MAY our Lord receive this sacrifice from thy hands, to the praise and glory of His name, for our good, and the benefit of His whole church.

When the Priest is saying the Prayers in the Book, proper to the Day, in a low voice, the People may thus join with him :

MERCIFULLY hear our prayers, O Lord, and graciously accept this oblation, which we Thy servants are making to Thee ; that as we offer it to the honour of Thy name, so it may be to us here, a means of obtaining Thy grace, and in the next life everlasting happiness.

On a Sunday, or Holyday, this may be said :

ACCEPT, O Lord, we beseech Thee, both our offerings and prayers ; and, by this holy sacrifice, work such a change in our hearts, that, our affections being taken off from the things of this world, our desires may be wholly fixed on heaven.

On the Festival of a Saint.

SANCTIFY, O Lord, we beseech Thee, these gifts which we offer Thee in this solemnity of Thy holy servant ; and so strengthen us by Thy grace, that, both in prosperity and adversity, our ways may be ever directed to Thy honour : through our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, &c.

The Prayers being ended, he says again, in a loud voice, thus :

Per omnia sæcula sæculorum ;

And begins the Preface, which the People may say with him, or as follows :

RAISE our hearts, O Lord, we beseech Thee, above the thoughts of earthly things, and lift them up to Thee : where our treasure is,

the treasure of salvation, there let our hearts also continually be. As our life is but one continued series of Thy favours towards us, so let us continue our daily thanksgivings to Thee.

Behold the whole hierarchy of Thy holy angels, who stand always trembling in Thy presence, are now with us going to adore Thee, on this altar. Permit us, O Lord, to join our weak and tepid praises in concert with their divine hymn, and say in a humble manner—

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth, the heavens and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he that comes in the name of our Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

When the Priest begins the Canon, bowing down, and in a low Voice:

MOST merciful Father, who hast given us Thy only son to be our daily sacrifice, we beseech Thee, in the name of this holy victim, incline Thy ear to our prayers, and favour our desires.

Thou who art the pastor of all pastors, protect, unite, and govern Thy holy church

through the whole world; pour forth Thy blessings on his present Holiness, and on that Prelate who has a particular charge over us. Preserve and save our Queen, render her both good and great in this life, and eternally happy in the next; and give a blessing to her subjects.

When the Priest makes his Memento, standing with his hands joined before his breast, the Faithful ought at the same time to make their Memento, praying in particular for themselves and friends, &c. something after this manner:

I OFFER Thee, O eternal Father, with this Thy minister at the altar, this oblation of the body and blood of Thy only Son, to Thy honour and glory, in remembrance of my Saviour's passion, in thanksgiving for Thy benefits, in satisfaction for all my sins, and for obtaining Thy grace, whereby I may be enabled to live virtuously and die happily. I beseech Thee likewise to accept it, O God, for N. N. my parents, friends, and benefactors; grant them all blessings, spiritual and temporal: likewise for all such as are in misery; for those I have any ways injured in

word or deed; for all my enemies; for the conversion of sinners, and enlightening of all that sit in darkness. Pour forth Thy blessings on all, according to their different necessities: through the merits of Thy only Son our Lord.

Here every one may add their Particular Necessities, as likewise of their Friends, &c.

GIVE ear, we beseech Thee, to the prayers of Thy servant, who is here appointed to make this oblation on our behalf; and grant it may be effectual for the obtaining those blessings which he asks for us.

Be Thou, O Lord, the eternal bond of all our friendships and societies: and as Thou hast vouchsafed to join us not only in communion with Thy sacred household of faith here below, but also with those who are now triumphing in heaven, with the martyrs and apostles, and Thy blessed virgin mother; be thou the sacred tie to fasten and preserve us therein for ever.

When the Priest holds his hands spread over the Chalice.

BEHOLD, O Lord, we all here, though of

different conditions, yet united by charity, as members of that one body of which Thy dear Son is the head, present to Thee, in this bread and wine, the symbols of our perfect union. Grant, O Lord, that they may be made for us, who are here below, the true body and blood of Thy dear Son, that being consecrated to Thee by this holy victim, we may live in Thy service, and depart this life in Thy grace.

He that is Almighty, he that is Truth itself, has said with his holy mouth, "This is my body." And how then can we doubt the truth of it? He that has made all things of nothing by his word, is he not to be believed, when he says he has changed one thing into another? Yes, I believe, and adore.

At the Elevation of the Host.

MOST adorable body, I adore Thee with all the powers of my soul. O Lord, who hast given thyself wholly to us, grant we may become entirely Thine. I believe, O Lord, help my unbelief. Most merciful Saviour, be Thou my protector; strengthen and defend me by Thy heavenly grace, now, and especially at the hour of my death, sweet Jesus. Amen.

At the Elevation of the Chalice.

MOST adorable blood, that washeth away all our sins, I adore Thee: happy we, if we can return our life and blood for Thine. O Jesus, do Thou cleanse, sanctify, and preserve our souls to eternal life. Live, Jesus, in us, and we in Thee.

After the Elevation.

IT is now, O Lord, with grateful hearts, we call to mind the sacred mysteries of Thy passion and death, Thy resurrection and ascension. Here is Thy body that was broken, here is Thy blood that was shed for us, of which these exterior signs are but the figures, and yet in reality contain the substance. It is now we truly offer Thee, O Lord, that pure and holy victim, which Thou hast been pleased to give us, of which all the other sacrifices were but so many types and figures.

If with a favourable eye Thou hast regarded the sacrifices of Abel, of Abraham, of Melchisedech, look likewise on ours; for however weak our faith may be, yet our sacrifice is greater than theirs, and only worthy of Thy heavenly altar.

When the Priest bows down.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who art infinitely good, look not to our sins, but on the infinite ransom paid for them. And now, while it is offered on our altars here below, do Thou receive it on Thy altar above; here from our hands; but there from the angel of great counsel, that eternal Priest, who is himself both priest and victim, all in Thee as Thou art all in Him. Bless all those who here partake of this holy sacrifice, either by their lips or hearts.

While the Priest makes his Memento for the Dead, standing in silence, with his hands joined before his breast, the Faithful ought likewise to make their Memento thus:

I OFFER Thee again, O Lord, this holy sacrifice of the body and blood of Thy only Son, in behalf of the faithful departed, and in particular for the souls of N. N. my parents, relations, benefactors, neighbours, &c. likewise of such as I have anywise injured, or been the occasion of their sins; of such as have injured me, and been my enemies; of such as die in war, or have none to pray for

them, &c. For these and all others, as many as are yet in the state of penance, waiting for their discharge, we beseech Thee to hear us:—Grant them rest, O Lord, and eternal salvation; and admit them to the company of Thy blessed saints.

When the Priest strikes his breast, and in a loud voice, says, Nobis quoque peccatoribus: And to us sinners.

VOUCHSAFE to grant the same one day to us, poor and miserable sinners as we are, and judge us not according to our demerits; but, through the infinite multitude of Thy mercies, in which we hope, liberally extend to us Thy grace and pardon.

We ask it of Thee in the name of Thy dear Son, who lives and reigns eternally with Thee, and in that form of prayer which he himself hath taught us.

At the Pater Noster.

Oremus.

Let us Pray.

PRÆCEPTIS saluta- INSTRUCTED by
ribus moniti, et divinâ Thy saving precepts

institutione formati, and following Thy
audemus dicere : divine directions, we
presume to say :

<p>Pater noster, qui es in cœlis, sanctifi- cetur nomen tuum; adveniat regnum tu- um; fiat voluntas tua sicut in cœlo, et in terrâ; panem nos- trum quotidianum da nobis hodiè: et dimit- te nobis debita nostra, sicut et nos dimitti- mus debitoribus nos- tris; et ne nos indu- cas in tentationem.</p>	<p>Our Father, who art in heaven, hallow- ed by thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and for- give us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation.</p>
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R. Sed libera nos à
malo.

R. But deliver us
from evil.

P. Amen.

P. Amen.

After the Pater Noster.

DELIVER us from those evils which we
labour under at present; from past evils,
which can be nothing but our manifold sins;
and from the evils to come, which will be
the just chastisement of our offences; if our

prayers and those more powerful ones of Thy saints, who intercede for us, intercept not Thy justice, or excite not Thy bounty.

When he breaks the Host, and puts a particle of it into the Chalice.

THY body was broken, and Thy blood shed for us: grant, O Lord, that the commemoration of this holy mystery may obtain for us peace, and that those who receive it may find everlasting rest.

At the Agnus Dei.

LAMB of God, who takest away the sins of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world; Have mercy on us. Lamb of God who takest away the sins of the world; Grant us Thy peace.

Prayers before the Communion.

IN saying to Thy apostles, "My peace I leave you, my peace I give you," Thou hast promised, O Lord, to all Thy church, that peace which the world cannot give; peace with Thee, and peace with ourselves.

Let nothing, O Lord, ever interrupt this

holy peace. Let nothing separate us from Thee, to whom we heartily desire to be united through this blessed sacrament of peace and reconciliation. Let this food of angels strengthen us in every Christian duty, so as never more to yield under temptations, or fall into our common weaknesses.

But, alas! who does not tremble at this holy table? since it is true, as we are differently disposed, we may receive either life or death, and that the unworthy receiver draws down upon himself, not a blessing, but Thy just wrath. Help us, therefore, O Lord, and so prepare us by Thy grace, that in this holy mystery we may find the effectual remedy of all our evils.

At the Domine non sum dignus, say, thrice,

LORD, I am not worthy Thou shouldst enter under my roof; say only the word, and my soul shall be healed.

A Spiritual Communion.

MOST loving Jesus, I adore Thee with a lively faith, who art present in this sacrament by virtue of Thine infinite power, wisdom, and goodness. But conscious of

my infirmities and my sins, I dare not now receive Thee sacramentally. All my hope is in Thee. I love Thee, O Lord, with all my heart, who has so loved me ; and therefore I desire to receive Thee now spiritually ; come, therefore, O Lord, to me in spirit, and heal my sinful soul. Feed me that am hungry ; comfort me that am weak ; enliven and sanctify me with Thy sacred body and blood ; deliver me from all sin, and make me always obedient to Thy commands ; and let me never be separated from Thee, my Saviour, who, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, livest and reignest one God for ever. Amen.

At the Second Ablution.

GRANT, O most merciful Jesus, that whenever I shall receive this precious body and blood, they may for ever abide in me, and become as heavenly nourishment to my soul.

At the Wiping of the Chalice.

GIVE us, O Lord, a part in the fruits of Thy death and passion, the sacred memory of which we have commemorated in this sacrifice. Happy those who sit at Thy table +

partake of the bread of life. O Jesus, my soul sighs after Thee. I long, with Thy apostle, to be dissolved, and to be with Thee. My heart and my whole body with transports of joy seek the living God.

My soul languishes with an ardent desire of entering into the house of the Lord. I love Thee, O my God, with all my heart! O that I could always enjoy the presence of Thy adorable body, which is the pledge of our eternal happiness! I adore Thy goodness, and return Thee infinite thanks, O gracious Lord, for Thy inestimable favour and mercy in admitting me to be present this day at the dread sacrifice, where Thou art both priest and victim. Make me, O God, always sensible of this great blessing, and let not my unworthiness put a stop to the effect of Thy mercy and goodness.

When the Chalice is covered, he goes to the Book, and reads to the Communion.

LET it be now, O Lord, the effect of Thy mercy, that we who have been present at this holy mystery, may find the benefit of it in our own souls, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

At the Post Communion.

WE give Thee thanks, O God, for Thy mercy, in admitting us to have a part in offering this sacrifice to Thy holy name; accept it now to Thy glory, and be ever mindful of our weakness.

Most Gracious God, Father of Mercy, grant, I beseech Thee, that this adorable sacrifice of the blessed body and blood of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, may obtain for us, at Thy hands, mercy, and the remission of all our sins. Amen.

On a Sunday or Holyday.

SANCTIFY us, O Lord, we beseech Thee, by the powerful effects of these divine mysteries; may we be cleansed by them from all sin, delivered from all adversities, and confirmed in Thy grace for ever.

On the Festival of a Saint.

HEAR us, O merciful God; and, by the intercession of this Thy holy servant, may the effects of these Thy blessings ever appear in our lives, that, while we celebrate his memory, we may be in hopes of partaking of his reward.

When the Priest bows before the Middle of the Altar.

MOST holy and adorable Trinity, without beginning and without end; it is through Thee, and by Thee, we began this sacrifice, and by Thee we ought to finish it. Vouchsafe, therefore, to accept it; and, as Thou art an abyss of majesty hidden from us, be Thou also an abyss of pity and mercy to us.

Turning himself towards the People, he gives them his Blessing, saying :

BENEDICAT vos,	MAY Almighty God,
omnipotens Deus,	✠ the Father, Son,
✠ Pater, et Filius,	and Holy Ghost, bless
et Spiritus Sanctus.	you.

R. Amen.

R. Amen.

P. Dominus vobiscum.

P. Our Lord be with you.

R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

R. And with thy spirit.

P. Initium sancti Evangelii, secundum Joannem.

P. The beginning of the Gospel according to St. John.

R. Gloria tibi, Domine.

R. Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

IN principio erat Verbum, et Verbum erat apud Deum, et Deus erat Verbum. Hoc erat in principio apud Deum. Omnia per ipsum facta sunt, et sine ipso factum est nihil, quod factum est. In ipso vita erat, et vita erat lux hominum; et lux in tenebris lucet, et tenebræ eam non comprehenderunt.

IN the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was made nothing that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men; and the light shineth in darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Fuit homo missus à Deo, cui nomen erat Joannes. Hic venit in testimonium, ut testimonium perhiberet de lumine, ut omnes crederent per illum. Non erat ille lux; sed ut testimonium perhiberet de

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to give testimony of the light, that all men might believe through him. He was not the light, but was to give testimony of

lumine. Erat lux vera, quæ illuminat omnem hominem venientem in hunc mundum.

In mundo erat, et mundus per ipsum factus est, et mundus eum non cognovit. In propria venit, et sui eum non receperunt. Quotquot autem receperunt eum, dedit eis potestatem filios Dei fieri; his qui credunt in nomine ejus. Qui non ex sanguinibus, neque ex voluntate carnis, neque ex voluntate viri, sed ex Deo nati sunt. Et VERBUM CARO FACTUM EST, et habitavit in nobis; et vidimus gloriam ejus, gloriam quasi unigeniti à Patre, ple-

the light. That was the true light which enlighteneth every man that cometh into this world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them he gave power to be made the sons of God; to them that believe in his name. Who are born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And THE WORD WAS MADE FLESH, and dwelt among us; and we saw his glory, as it were the glory of the only

num gratiæ et verita- begotten of the Fa-
tis. ther, full of grace and
truth.

R. Deo gratias.

R. Thanks be to
God.

A Prayer after Mass.

I RENDER Thee all possible praise and thanks, O Sovereign Creator, for the favour I have this day received of Thy bounty, and of which many better deserving Christians are deprived. Receive, O Lord, my unworthy prayers, supply all my defects, pardon all my distractions and indevotions, and grant, that by the strength and virtue of those divine mysteries, I may go on cheerfully in the path of Thy commandments, love, and service, amidst all the temptations, troubles, and dangers of my life's pilgrimage; till I shall one day happily arrive at Thy heavenly kingdom, where, with Thy blessed angels and saints, I shall more clearly contemplate Thee, more perfectly enjoy Thee, and more understandingly celebrate Thy infinite goodness and mercy, with uninterrupted canticles of eternal praise, admiration, and gratitude. Amen.

Hymns to the Holy Ghost.

Veni Creator.

COME Holy Ghost, Creator come,
From Thy bright heavenly throne :
Come take possession of our souls,
And make them all Thy own.

Thou, who art called the Paraclete,
Best gift of God above ;
The living Spring, the living Fire,
Sweet Unction, and true Love.

Thou, who art sev'nfold in Thy grace,
Finger of God's right hand ;
His promise, teaching little ones
To speak and understand.

O ! guide our minds with Thy blest light !
With love our hearts inflame ;
And with thy strength which ne'er decays,
Confirm our mortal frame.

Far from us drive our hellish foe,
True peace unto us bring ;
And through all perils lead us safe,
Beneath thy sacred wing.

Thro' Thee, may we the Father know,
Thro' Thee, th' eternal Son,
And Thee the Spirit of them both,
Thrice blessed Three in One.

All glory to the Father be,
With his co-equal Son;
The like to Thee, great Paraclete,
Till time itself is done. Amen.

Veni Sancte Spiritus.

COME Holy Ghost, send down those beams,
Which sweetly flow in silent streams,
From Thy bright throne above.
O come, Thou Father of the poor,
O come, Thou source of all our store;
Come fill our hearts with love.

O Thou, of comforters the best,
O Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
The pilgrim's sweet relief.
Thou art true rest in toil and sweat,
Refreshment in th' excess of heat,
And solace in our grief.
Thrice blessed light, shoot home thy darts,
And pierce the centres of those hearts,
Whose faith aspires to Thee.

Without Thy Godhead nothing can
Have any price or worth in man ;
Nothing can harmless be.

Lord, wash our sinful stains away,
Water from heaven our barren clay ;
Our wounds and bruises heal.
To Thy sweet yoke our stiff necks bow ;
Warm with Thy fire our hearts of snow ;
Our wand'ring feet repeal.

Grant to Thy faithful, dearest Lord,
Whose only hope is Thy sure word,
The seven gifts of thy Spirit :
Grant us in life Thy helping grace ;
Grant us at death to see Thy face,
And endless joys inherit. Amen.

Anthem. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts
of Thy faithful, and kindle in them the fire
of Thy love.

V. Send forth Thy Spirit, and they shall
be created. R. And thou shalt renew the
face of the earth.

Let us Pray.

O GOD, who hast taught the hearts of the
faithful by the light of thy Holy Spirit, grant

that we may, by the gift of the same Spirit, be always truly wise, and ever rejoice in his consolation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Devotions for Confession,

Instructions for Confession.

1st. IN order to prepare yourself to make a good confession, endeavour in the first place to recommend the matter earnestly to God; and for some days beforehand, frequently and fervently beg his divine grace and assistance.

2dly. Examine your conscience with a just and faithful diligence, but without anxiety or too much scrupulousness, helping your memory by reflecting on your particular inclinations, and the circumstances of place, company, employment, &c.

3dly. In going to confession, humble yourself by considering the majesty of God, and your own many infirmities and great unworthiness.

4thly. Let your confession be plain, entire, and prudent; neither obscuring your faults with dark words, nor concealing any thing of moment, nor using expressions immodest or prejudicial to a third person.

5thly. Excite yourself to a true and hearty contrition, detesting your sins for the love of God, and resolving firmly to forsake them.

6thly. For satisfaction, (besides your performance of the penance which is enjoined) you must labour to conquer all inclinations to the sins you have confessed; if you have injured any, you must make restitution as far as you are able; if by your example, or otherwise, you have given scandal or occasion of sin, you must, by contrary virtues, endeavour to recompense the spiritual damage of your neighbour.

*A Prayer to implore the Divine Assistance,
in order to make a good confession.*

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, who hast made me out of nothing, and redeemed me by the precious blood of Thy only Son; who hast with so much patience, borne with me to this day, notwithstanding

all my sins and ingratitude ; ever calling after me to return to Thee from the ways of vanity and iniquity, in which I have been quite wearied out in the pursuit of empty toys and mere shadows ; seeking in vain to satisfy my thirst with muddy waters, and my hunger with husks of swine ; behold, O most gracious Lord, I now sincerely desire to leave all these my evil ways, to forsake this region of death, where I have so long lost myself, and to return to Thee, the Fountain of Life. I desire, like the prodigal child, to enter seriously into myself, and with the like resolution, to arise without delay, and go home to my Father, though I am infinitely unworthy to be called his child, in hopes of meeting with the like reception from His most tender mercy. But, O my God, though I can go astray from Thee fast enough of myself, yet I cannot make one step towards returning to Thee, unless Thy divine grace stir me up and assist me. This grace, then, I most humbly implore, prostrate in the spirit before the throne of Thy mercy ; I beg it for the sake of Jesus Christ Thy Son, who died upon the cross for my sins. I know

Thou desirest not the death of a sinner, but that he be converted and live. I know Thy mercies are above all Thy works, and I most confidently hope, that as in Thy mercy Thou hast spared me so long, and hast now given me this desire of returning to Thee; so Thou wilt finish the work Thou hast begun, and bring me to a perfect reconciliation with Thee.

I desire now to comply with Thy holy institution of the Sacrament of Penance; I desire to confess my sins with all sincerity to Thee and to Thy minister; and therefore I desire to know myself, and to call myself to an account by a diligent examination of my conscience. But, O my God, how miserably shall I deceive myself, if Thou assist me not in this great work by Thy heavenly light. O! remove then every veil that hides any of my sins from me, that I may see them all in their true colours, and may sincerely detest them. O let me not any longer be imposed upon by the enemy, or by my own self-love, so as to mistake vice for virtue, to hide myself from myself, or any way to flatter myself, in my sins.

But, O my good God, what will it avail me to know my sins, if Thou dost not also give me a hearty sorrow and repentance for them? Without this, my sins will be all upon me still, and I shall be still Thy enemy and a child of hell. Thou insisatest upon a *change of heart*, without which there can be no reconciliation with Thee: and this change of heart none but Thou can give. O! give it me then, dear Lord, at this time. Give me a lively faith, and a firm hope in the passion of my Redeemer; teach me to fear Thee, and to love Thee. Give me, for Thy mercy's sake, a hearty sorrow for having offended so good a God. Teach me to detest my evil ways; to abhor all my past ingrattitudes; to hate myself now with a perfect hatred for my many treasons against Thee. O! give me a full and firm resolution of a new life for the future, and unite me to Thee with an eternal band of love, which nothing in life or death may ever break.

Grant me, also, the grace to make an entire and sincere confession of my sins, and to accept of the confusion of it, as a penance justly due to my transgressions. Let not the

enemy, with all its artifices, prevail upon me to pass over any thing through fear or shame ; rather let me die than consent to so great an evil. Let not self-love deceive me, as I fear it has done too often. O ! grant, that this confession at least may be good, and for the sake of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who died for me and for all sinners, assist me in every part of my preparation for it, that I may go through every part of it with the same care and diligence, as I should be glad to do at the hour of my death ; that so being perfectly reconciled to Thee, I may never offend Thee more.

O blessed Virgin, Mother of my Redeemer, mirror of innocence and sanctity, and refuge of penitent sinners, intercede for me through the passion of Thy Son, that I may have the grace to make a good confession. All you blessed angels and saints of God, pray for me a poor-miserable sinner, that I may now, for good and all, turn from my evil ways, that so henceforward my heart may be for ever united with yours in eternal love, and never more go astray from the Sovereign Good. Amen.

[This or the like prayer, may be frequently repeated for some days before confession, in order to obtain from God the grace of making a good confession.]

Ejaculations which may be repeated often before Confession.

JESUS, reduce into my mind, the sins and wickedness whereby I have offended Thee.

Jesus, grant me the spirit of perfect penance, that by contrition, confession, and satisfaction, I may obtain Thy grace, and thoroughly cleanse my conscience.

Jesus, have mercy on me a wretched sinner, whom Thou didst redeem with Thy precious blood.

Jesus, son of David, have mercy on me. Enter not into judgment with Thy servant, O Lord: for in Thy sight no man living shall be justified.

Prayer before Sacramental Confession.

O MAKER of heaven and earth, King of kings, and Lord of lords, who of nothing

createdst me to Thine own image, and redeemedst me with Thy most precious blood; whom I, a sinner, am not worthy to name, or so much as to think on, I humbly beseech Thee, that Thou wouldst look on me in Thy pity, and have compassion on me, who showedst mercy to the woman of Canaan, and Mary Magdalene, who forgavest the publican, and the penitent thief. To Thee, most holy God, I confess my sins, which, if I would, I cannot hide from Thy sight. Have mercy on me, O Christ; for I have exceedingly offended Thee in thought, word, and deed; through my fault, through my fault, through my exceeding great fault.

Therefore, I most humbly beseech Thy goodness, O Christ, who for my sake descendest from heaven, have mercy upon me. Thou art my Creator and Helper, my Maker and Redeemer, my Governor and most indulgent Father: Thou art my strength and refuge, my hope and resurrection, my life and eternal felicity. Though I have committed that for which Thou mayest condemn me, yet Thou hast not lost that whereby Thou canst forgive me. Let not my wicked-

ness, O Lord, overcome Thy goodness.— Spare me, O my dearest Saviour, and take compassion on my sinful soul. To whom should I fly but to Thee? If Thou cast me off, who will receive me? If Thou despise me, and turn Thy face from me, who shall look upon me? Receive me, therefore, O my gracious Lord, returning to Thee, though sinful and unworthy: for, if I am impure, Thou canst make me clean; if I am sick, Thou canst heal me; if I am cast down, Thou canst revive me: Thy mercy is far greater than my iniquity, and Thou canst forgive more than I can offend.

Consider not, therefore, O Lord, the number of my sins; but, according to the greatness of Thy mercy, pardon all my transgressions. Say to my soul, I am Thy salvation; who saidst to all the world, I will not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live. Convert me to Thee, O Lord, and make me live hereafter with a greater fear of offending Thee, and a due sense of my duty in obeying Thee. Make me direct all my actions to Thy honour, and diligently redeem the time I have mis-

spent, that so, by a holy life, I may be brought to a happy death, and rejoice with Thee to all eternity. Amen.

A TABLE OF SINS WHICH MAY SERVE TO
ASSIST THE MEMORY IN THE EXAMINATION
OF CONSCIENCE.

The First Commandment.

HAVE I voluntarily, or deliberately, doubted of any article of faith? Have I exposed my faith to any danger, either by reading any dangerous books; or by frequenting profane and dangerous company?

Have I neglected my prayers, or religious duties? Have I been guilty of any acts of superstition, such as consulting fortune-tellers; offering up prayers, &c. to find out things to come; believing in dreams, and so on?

The Second Commandment.

HAVE I profaned; or taken the name of

God in vain, by any oaths, curses, or profane expressions?

The Third Commandment.

HAVE I neglected to hear mass, on Sundays, or on the days of obligation? Have I heard mass, with voluntary distractions? Have I spent any of those days in idleness, or negligence? Have I broken the days of abstinence and fasting? Have I made a bad confession, or communion?

The Fourth Commandment.

HAVE I disobeyed my parents? provoked them? wronged them? Have I disobeyed any other lawful superior? (*If a parent*) Have I discharged my duties to my children? Have I given them any bad example? (*If a master or mistress*) Have I neglected to watch over the morals, &c. of my servants?

The Fifth Commandment.

HAVE I borne any malice, hatred, or spirit of revenge? Have I ever, through impa-

tience, wished for my own death ; or for that of any other person ? Have I, either by lewd or profane conversation, or by any other way, given scandal to any one ; or been the occasion of their sinning ?

The Sixth Commandment.

HAVE I been guilty of any acts of impurity ? (*Under this head, all sins against purity must be carefully examined ; as well as what soever conducted to their indulgence or commission.*) Have I been guilty of filthy talking ? of reading immodest books ? of indelicacy of dress ? of looking at unchaste objects ? of taking any improper or dangerous liberties ?

The Seventh Commandment.

HAVE I been guilty of stealing ; or of any way wronging my neighbour ? Have I neglected the work to which I was hired ? Have I given away what was not mine ? or taken from those who were not allowed to give ? Have I neglected to make restitution ? Have I neglected or refused to pay my debts ?

The Eighth Commandment.

HAVE I been guilty of lies? of rash judgment? of detraction? Have I done any injury to any one, by speaking ill of him? Have I listened with satisfaction to detraction? Have I carried tales backwards and forwards, so as to cause misunderstandings amongst neighbours?

The Ninth Commandment.

HAVE I taken pleasure in any unchaste thoughts or imaginations? Have I entertained any impure desires, or indelicate feelings?

The Tenth Commandment.

HAVE I desired any loss, or misfortune, to any one, in order to be the gainer by it? Have I entertained any design, or wish, to steal?

The Capital, or Deadly, Sins.

HAVE I indulged the feelings of pride? or of vanity? or of self-conceit?

Have I been covetous? hard-hearted, or refused to give alms? Have I been guilty,

either of drinking or of eating to any excess? Have I contributed to the drunkenness, or to any excess, in others?

Have I indulged anger? given injurious words? quarrelled with any one? or insulted any one?

Have I repined at my neighbour's successes and prosperity? Have I rejoiced at his misfortunes?

[Having, by the help of the above Table, as well as by serious consideration, brought before your mind the different sins which you have been guilty of, along with the aggravating circumstances which may have attended them; and the number of times you may have fallen into the same offences; having done this, say then the following prayer.—(Or if you do not recollect much to confess, call to mind the more grievous sins of your past life.)—]

A Prayer for obtaining Contrition.

I have now here before me, O Lord, a sad prospect of the manifold offences, by which I have displeased Thy divine Majesty, and which I am assured will appear in judgment against me, if I repent not, and my soul be

not disposed by a hearty sorrow to receive Thy pardon. But this sorrow, O Lord, this repentance, must be Thy free gift; and if it come not from the hand of Thy mercy, all my endeavours will be in vain, and I shall be for ever miserable. Have mercy, therefore, on me, O Father of mercies, and pour forth into my heart Thy grace, whereby I may sincerely repent of all my sins; give me a true contrition, that I may bewail my past misery and ingratitude, and grieve from my heart for having offended Thee, so good a God. Permit me not to be deluded with a false sorrow, as, I fear, I have been too often, through my own weakness or neglect; but let it be now Thy gift, descending from Thee, the Father of light, that so my repentance may be accompanied with amendment and a change of life, and I may be fully acquitted from the guilt of all my sins, and once more received into the number of Thy servants. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Affections and Resolutions.

MY Lord, and my All! I am confounded at the multitude and enormity of my offences against so good a God; I dare not presume

even to lift up my eyes to heaven, much less to come near Thy altar, after so many treasons against Thee. Alas! what shall I now do, O Lord? What shall I say? But, with the humble publican, strike my breast, and cry out to Thee, *O God be merciful to me a sinner.*

My sins exceed in number the hairs of my head, and the sands of the sea; but Thy mercies are more innumerable than my sins. O, Ocean of mercy, have compassion on a poor miserable sinner, and make me now at least a true penitent.

Father, I have sinned against heaven, and in Thy sight, and am not worthy to be called Thy child: O! receive me as one of the least of Thy servants, and never suffer me to go astray from Thee any more.

It grieves me, O my God, that I have offended Thee: I am heartily sorry for all the sins I have committed against Thy infinite goodness. O! that I could worthily lament them, even with tears of blood.

Who will give water to my head, and fountains of tears to my eyes, that night and day I may bewail my sins and ingratitude?

O! that I had never offended my God! O,

that I had never sinned! Happy those souls who have never lost their baptismal innocence. Ah! sweet Jesus, that I had been so happy.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy; and according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, blot out all my iniquities. Wash me yet more from my iniquities, and cleanse me from my sins; because I know my iniquities and my sins are always before me.

O! that I could now, like Magdalen, present myself at the feet of my Saviour! O! that I could wash them with my tears! O! suffer me, dear Lord, to lay down all my sins at Thy feet, to be cancelled by Thy precious blood.

Lord, Thou hast said there is joy in heaven upon one sinner doing penance; more than upon ninety-nine just: O! give me now grace to be a true penitent indeed, that so heaven may rejoice in my conversion.

Thou camest, O my dear Redeemer, not to call the just, but sinners to repentance; look down upon me, a poor miserable sinner, and draw me now powerfully to Thee by thy grace.

I know Thou wilt not the death of a sinner, but that he be converted and live; O! let me no longer remain dead in my sins! O! let me now at least begin to live to Thee.

Create a clean heart in me, O God; and renew a right spirit within my bowels. O! grant that I may now serve Thee in good earnest! O! let this be the change of the right hand of the Most High.

Thou hast made me, O my God, and redeemed me by Thy most precious blood. O! despise not the work of Thy hands! O! let not Thy blood be spilt for me in vain!

Too late have I known Thee, O ancient Truth! Too late have I loved Thee, O ancient Beauty! Too long have I gone astray from Thee! From this moment, O my Sovereign Good, I desire to be for ever thine. O! let nothing in life or death ever separate me from Thee any more!

O! Divine Lover of penitent souls, give me henceforward a contrite and humble heart. O! I desire from this hour to offer this sacrifice daily to Thee, till the end of my life.

O Divine Love, how little art Thou known in this wicked world; how little art Thou loved! Come now to me, and take full pos-

session of my whole heart and soul for time and eternity.

Thy mercy has been infinite, in bearing so long with such an ungrateful sinner as I have been, and in daily heaping thy favours upon me. Add this one favour, O Lord, to all the rest, that henceforward by thy grace I may never offend Thee more. This one thing I earnestly beg of Thee, for thy infinite mercy's sake, and through the death and passion of Thy only Son, hear this one prayer, I beseech Thee, and in all things else do with me what Thou pleasest.

I am resolved, by Thy grace, never more to return to my sins; O rather let me die than offend Thee, wilfully, any more. I am resolved to fly all evil company, and dangerous occasions: and to take proper measures for a thorough amendment of my life for the future. All this I resolve; but Thou knowest my frailty, O my God; and if Thou assist me not by Thy grace, all my resolutions will prove ineffectual, and I shall be for ever miserable. O look on me, O Lord, that I may never betray Thee any more.

[Here the penitent ought to make acts c

Faith, Hope, and Charity, p. 8. After which he may repeat, with the humble dispositions of holy David, the psalm, *Have mercy on me, O God, &c.* He should also think upon the measures he must take for an entire amendment of life for the time to come, considering well what have been the occasions of his sins, what circumstances are apt to be dangerous to him; what precautions he must take against those dangers for the future; what pious exercises he must daily make use of; such as prayer, meditation, spiritual reading, &c., when, and how often, frequent the sacraments, &c.

When the penitent finds himself heartily sorry for having offended God, and fully determined for the time to come, to amend his life, and avoid all mortal sins, and the immediate occasions of them: he may then go to confession; in which he may follow this method.

The method of Confession.

"1. The penitent kneeling down at the side of his ghostly father, makes the sign of the cross, and asks his blessing; *Pray Father, give me your blessing, for I have sinned.* Then he says the *Confiteor* in Latin or in English, as far as *mea culpa, &c., through my fault, &c.*

"2. After this he accuses himself of his sins, either according to the order of God's commandments, or such other order as he finds most helpful to his memory; adding

after each sin, the number of times that he has been guilty of it, and such circumstances as may very considerably aggravate the guilt; but carefully abstaining from such as are impertinent or unnecessary, and from excuses and long narrations.

“3. After he has confessed all that he can remember, he may conclude with this or the like form: *For these, and all other my sins, which I cannot at this present call to my remembrance, I am heartily sorry; purpose amendment for the future; most humbly ask pardon of God, and penance and absolution of you, my ghostly father; and so he may finish his Confiteor, and then give attentive ear to the instructions and advice of his confessor, and humbly accept of the penance enjoined by him.*

“4. Whilst the priest gives him absolution, let him bow down his head, and with great humility call upon God for mercy; and beg of him that he would be pleased to pronounce the sentence of absolution in heaven, whilst his minister absolves him upon earth.

“5. After confession, let the penitent return to his prayers, and after having heartily given God thanks for having admitted him by the means of this sacrament to the grace of reconciliation, and received him like the prodigal child, returning home, let him make an offering of his confession to Jesus Christ, begging pardon for whatever defects he may have been guilty of in it; offering up his resolu-

tions to his Saviour, and begging grace that he may put them in execution.

“6. Let him be careful to perform his penance in due time, and in a penitential spirit.]

A Prayer after Confession.

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, who, according to the multitude of thy tender mercies, hast vouchsafed once more to receive this prodigal child, after so many times going astray from Thee, and to admit him to this sacrament of reconciliation; I give Thee thanks with all the powers of my soul, for this and all thy other mercies, graces, and blessings bestowed on me, the most unworthy of all sinners; and prostrating myself now at Thy sacred feet, I offer myself to be henceforward for ever Thine. O! let nothing in life or death evermore separate me from Thee. I once more renounce with my whole soul, all my treasons against Thee, and all the abominations and sins of my past life. I renew my promises made in baptism, and from this moment I dedicate myself eternally to thy love and service. O! grant that for the time to come, I may ever fly and abhor sin more than death itself, and avoid all such

occasions and companies as have unhappily brought me to it; I resolve henceforth to fly them all, by Thy divine grace, without which, of myself, I can do nothing. I resolve to fly idleness, and to set myself a regular order and method of life, for the time I have yet to come. I beg thy blessing upon these my resolutions, that they may not be ineffectual, like so many others I have formerly made; for, O Lord, without Thee, I am nothing but misery and sin. Supply also, by Thy mercy, whatever defects have been in this my confession. I am sensible it has been very imperfect, and that I was far from having that true sorrow which the heinousness of my sins required; but let the precious blood of Thy only Son make up this deficiency. Accept of my poor performance, such as it is, and give me grace to be now and always a true penitent; through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, Amen.

Devotions for Communion.

A PREPARATORY PRAYER.

1. *Direct your intention.*

O LORD Jesus Christ, King of everlasting glory, behold I desire to come to Thee this day, and to receive Thy body and blood in this heavenly sacrament, for Thy honour and glory, and the good of my soul: I desire to receive Thee, because it is Thy desire and Thou hast so ordained; blessed be Thy name for ever. I desire to come to Thee, like Magdalen, that I may be delivered from all my evils, and embrace Thee, my only good. I desire to come to Thee, that I may be happily united to Thee, that I may henceforward abide in Thee, and Thou in me; and that nothing in life or death may ever separate me from Thee.

2. *Commemorate the Passion of Christ.*

I DESIRE in these holy mysteries to commemorate, as Thou hast commanded, all Thy sufferings, Thy agony and bloody sweat, Thy being betrayed and apprehended, all the re-

proaches and calumnies, all the scoffs and affronts, all the blows and buffets, Thou hast endured for me; Thy being scourged, crowned with thorns, and loaded with a heavy cross for my sins, and for those of the whole world: Thy crucifixion and death, together with Thy glorious resurrection and triumphant ascension. I adore Thee and give Thee thanks for all Thou hast done and suffered for us; and for giving us, in this blessed sacrament, this pledge of our redemption, this victim of our ransom, this body and blood which were offered for us.

3. *Make an Act of Faith.*

I MOST firmly believe, that in this holy sacrament Thou art present, verily and indeed; that here is Thy body and blood, Thy soul and Thy divinity; I believe that Thou, my Saviour, true God and true Man, art really here, with all Thy treasures; that here Thou communicatest Thyself to us, makest us partakers of the fruit of Thy passion, and givest us a pledge of eternal life. I believe there cannot be a greater happiness than to receive Thee worthily, nor a greater misery than to receive Thee unworthily. All

this I most steadily believe, because it is what Thou hast taught us by Thy word and by Thy church.

4. *Conceive a great Fear, and humble yourself.*

BUT, O my God, how shall I dare approach to Thee? so wretched a worm, to so infinite a Majesty; so filthy a sinner, to such infinite purity and sanctity! Alas! my soul is covered with an universal leprosy, and how shall I presume to embrace Thee! My whole life has been nothing but misery and sin: and it is only by Thy mercy that I have not been long since in hell, which I have deserved a thousand times; and how shall I venture so much as to lift up my eyes to Thee, much less to receive Thee within my breast! I tremble at the sentence of Thy apostle, that *He that receives unworthily, receives his own damnation*; for I cannot but acknowledge myself infinitely unworthy; nor should I dare ever to come to Thee, were I not excited by Thy most loving and pressing invitation, and encouraged by Thy infinite goodness and mercy. It is in this mercy, which is above all Thy works, I put my whole trust: and

it is in this confidence alone that I presume to approach Thee. Oh ! grant that it may be with a contrite and humble heart ; for this, I know, Thou wilt never despise.

5. Make an Act of Contrition.

LORD, I detest with my whole heart all the sins by which I have ever offended Thy divine Majesty, from the first moment that I was capable of sinning, to this very hour. I desire to lay them all down here at Thy feet, to be cancelled by Thy precious blood. What can I do for them, but humbly confess and lament them all my lifetime ! and this I heartily desire to do, and from this moment continually to cry to Thee for mercy. Hear me, O Lord, by that infinite love, by which Thou hast shed Thy blood for me ; O ! let not that blood be shed in vain. All my sins displease me now exceedingly, because they have offended Thy infinite goodness. By Thy grace I will never commit them any more : I am sorry for them, and will be sorry for them as long as I live ; and, according to the best of my power, I will do penance for them. Forgive, dear Lord, for Thy mercy's sake : pardon me for all that is past ; and be Thou my

keeper for the time to come, that I may never more offend Thee.

6. Make an Act of Divine Love.

O SWEET Jesus, the God of my heart, and the life of my soul, as the hart pants after the fountains of water, so does my soul pant after Thee, the fountain of life, and the ocean of all good. I am overjoyed at the hearing of these happy tidings, that I may go to the house of the Lord; or rather, that our Lord is to come into my house, and take up his abode with me. O! happy moments, when I shall be admitted to the embraces of the living God, for whom my poor soul languishes with love! O come, dear Jesus, and take full possession of my heart for ever! I offer it to Thee without reserve: I desire to consecrate it eternally to Thee. I love Thee with my whole soul above all things; at least I desire so to love Thee: it is nothing less than infinite love that brings Thee to me. O! teach me to make a suitable return of love.

7. Humbly beg God's Grace.

BUT, O my God, Thou knowest my great poverty and misery, and that of myself I

can do nothing: Thou knowest how unworthy I am of this infinite favour, and Thou alone canst make me worthy. O ! since Thou art so good as to invite me thus to Thyself, add this one bounty more to all the rest; prepare me for Thyself. Cleanse my soul from its stains, cloth it with the nuptial garment of charity, adorn it with all virtues, and make it a fit abode for Thee. Drive sin and the devil far from this dwelling, which Thou art here pleased to choose for Thyself, and make me one according to Thy own heart: that this heavenly visit which Thou designest for my salvation, may not, by my unworthiness, be perverted to my damnation. O, let me never be guilty of Thy body and blood, by an unworthy communion. For the sake of this same precious blood, which Thou hast shed for me, deliver me from so great an evil: O! rather let me die ten thousand deaths, than thus presume to crucify Thee again.

*8. Implore the Prayers of the blessed Virgin
and of the Saints.*

O ALL ye blessed angels and saints of God,
who see him face to face, whom I here

receive under these humble veils; and thou most especially, ever blessed Virgin, Mother of the same God and Saviour, in whose sacred womb he was conceived and borne for nine months: I most humbly beg the assistance of your prayers and intercession, that I may in such manner receive him here in this place of banishment, as to be brought one day to enjoy him with you in our true country, and there to praise him and to love him for ever.

["Prepare to receive the body of your Saviour Jesus Christ with a lively faith, profound humility, and a heart inflamed with love. On receiving him, cast yourself at his sacred feet, adore him, praise him, and give him thanks for coming to see so unworthy a sinner, inviting all heaven and earth to join you in praising his holy name. Offer him your heart and soul, that you may henceforth love him and serve him for ever: and petition for every favour and grace you stand in need of for yourself, your friends, and the whole world."]

Aspirations after Communion.

BEHOLD, O Lord, I have Thee now, who hast all things: I possess Thee, who possessest all things, and who canst do all things; take off my heart then, O my God and my All,



God ! and out of the treasures of Thy bounty succour my needy soul.

O my Lord and God, behold I am Thy servant; give me understanding, and excite my affections, that I may henceforward in all things know and do Thy will.

Thou art the Lamb of God, the Lamb without spot, who takest away the sins of the world ; O, take away from me whatsoever is hurtful to me, and displeasing to Thee, and give me what Thou knowest to be pleasing to Thee and profitable to me. .

Thou art my love and my joy ; Thou art my God and my all ; Thou art the portion of my inheritance, and of my chalice ; Thou art he that will restore my inheritance to me.

O my God and my all, may the sweet flame of Thy love consume my soul, that so I may die to the world for the love of Thee, who hast vouchsafed to die upon the cross for the love of me.

*Acts of Devotion, Praise, and Thanksgiving,
after Communion.*

O MY sweet Jesus, my Creator and my Redeemer, my God and my all, whence is this

to me, that my Lord, and so great a Lord, whom heaven and earth cannot contain, should come into this poor cottage, this house of clay of my earthly habitation ! O, that I could give Thee a hearty welcome ! O that I could entertain Thee as I ought !

O ! what return shall I make to Thee, O Lord, for all Thou hast done for me. Behold ! when I had no being at all, Thou hast created me : and when I was gone astray, and lost in my sins, Thou hast redeemed me, by dying for me ; all that I have, all that I am, is thy gift ; and now after all thy other favours, Thou hast given me thyself ; blessed be Thy name for ever. Thou art great, O Lord, and exceedingly to be praised ; great are Thy works, and of Thy wisdom there is no end : but Thy tender mercies, Thy bounty and goodness to me, are above all Thy works : these I desire to confess and extol for ever. Bless then thy Lord, O my soul, and let all that is within thee praise and magnify his name. Bless thy Lord, O my soul, and see thou never forget all that He has done for thee. O all ye works of the Lord, bless the Lord, praise and glorify him for ever. O all ye angels of the Lord, bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, all ye saints, and let the whole church of heaven and earth join in praising and giving him thanks for all his mercies and graces to me; and so in some measure supply for what is due from me. But as all this still falls short of what is owing to Thee from me for Thy infinite love, I offer to Thee, O eternal Father, this same Son of thine, whom thou hast given me, and his thanksgiving, which is of infinite value, and this I am sure Thou wilt accept of. Look not then upon my insensibility and ingratitude, but upon the face of Thy Christ; and with him, and through him, receive this offering of my own poor self, which I desire to make to Thee.

An Oblation after Communion.

O FATHER of mercies, and God of all consolation, how hast Thou loved us, to whom Thou hast given thy only begotten Son, once for our ransom, and daily for the food of our souls! What can I, a wretched creature, return to Thee for this infinite charity? Verily, nothing else but this same beloved Son of Thine, whom Thou hast given to me, and surely Thou couldst give me nothing greater,

or more worthy of thyself. Him, then, I offer to Thee, O heavenly Father, with whom Thou art always well pleased; him whom Thou hast lovingly delivered up to death for me, and given me in this most holy sacrament, which we frequent for the everlasting memorial of his death. He is our high priest and victim! he is the propitiation for the sins of the whole world: he is our advocate and intercessor. Look down then upon him, and for his sake look down upon me, and upon us all. Remember all his sufferings, which he endured here in this mortal life, his bitter anguish, his mortal agony and bloody sweat, all the injuries and affronts, all the blows and stripes, all the bruises and wounds that he received for us. Remember his death, which Thou wast pleased should be the fountain of our life, and for the sake of his sacred passion have mercy on us. Receive, O holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, this holy and unspotted victim, which I here offer Thee in union with that love with which he offered himself to Thee upon the altar of the cross; receive him in the praise and glory of Thy name; in thanksgiving for all the benefits bestowed on me, and on all

mankind ; in satisfaction also for all my sins, and the benefit of Thy whole Church, and the refreshment and comfort of all Thy faithful, living and dead ; through the same Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son.

And turning myself to Thee, O my dear Lord and Saviour, who hast here given me thyself, I would gladly make some suitable return to Thee for this infinite love ; I would gladly make Thee some offering, in acknowledgement of this rich present Thou hast made me, but alas ! Thou knowest my poverty ; Thou knowest I have nothing worthy of Thy acceptance ; nothing but what, upon a thousand titles, is already Thine. But, O my God, such is Thy goodness, Thou wilt be contented with the little that I can give Thee, though it be thine already : Thou askest nothing but my heart, and this I here most willingly offer Thee : O, be pleased to accept of it, and make it wholly thine for ever. I offer Thee here my whole being ; my body, with all its senses, and my soul, with all its powers ; that as Thou hast at present honoured them both by Thy presence, so they may be both Thy temple for ever. O !

sanctify and consecrate eternally to thyself this mansion, which Thou hast this day chosen for Thy abode. I give Thee my memory, that it may be for ever recollected in Thee! my understanding, that it may be always enlightened and directed by Thy truth; and my will, that it may be ever conformable to thine, and ever burn with love of Thee. O! take me entirely into thy hands, with all that I have, and all that I am: and let nothing henceforward, in life or death, ever separate me any more from Thee. Amen.

Petitions after Communion.

O MOST merciful Saviour, behold I have presumed to receive Thee this day into my house, relying on Thy infinite goodness and mercy, and hoping, like Zaccheus, to obtain Thy benediction. But, alas! with how little preparation! with how little devotion! From my heart I beg pardon for my great unworthiness, and for my innumerable sins, which I detest for the love of Thee, and I desire to detest for ever. O! wash them all away with Thy precious blood; for thou art the Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world; and one drop of t'

blood, which Thou hast shed for us, is more than enough to cancel the sins of ten thousand worlds.

Thou seest, O searcher of hearts, all my maladies, and all the wounds of my soul; Thou knowest how prone I am to evil, and how backward and sluggish to good. Thou seest this self-love, that tyrannizes over my soul, which is so deeply rooted in my corrupt nature, and branches out into so many vices, so much pride and vanity, so much passion and envy, so much covetousness and worldly solicitude, so much sensuality and concupiscence. O! what can heal all these my evils, but Thou, the true physician of my soul, who givest me Thy body and blood in this blessed sacrament, as a sovereign medicine for all my infirmities, and a sovereign balsam for all my wounds! Dispel, dear Jesus, the darkness of ignorance and error from my understanding, by Thy heavenly light; drive away the corruption and malice of my will, by the fire of divine love and charity: restrain all the motions of concupiscence, and all the irregular sallies of passion, that they may no more prevail over me: strengthen my weakness with heavenly for-

titude; destroy this bellish monster of self-love, with its many heads, or at least chain down this worst of all my enemies, that it may no longer usurp the empire of my soul, which belongs to Thee, and which Thou hast taken possession of this day; cut off the heads of this beast, and particularly that which annoys me most, and which is my predominant passion; stand by me henceforward in all my temptations, that I may never more be overcome: remove from me all dangerous occasions, and grant me this one favour, that I may rather die a thousand deaths than live to offend Thee mortally.

O my Jesus, Thou art infinitely rich, and all the treasures of divine grace are locked up in Thee: those treasures Thou bringest with Thee, when Thou comest to visit us in this blessed sacrament, and Thou takest an infinite pleasure in opening them to us, to enrich our poverty. This gives me the confidence to present Thee now with my petitions, and to beg of Thee those graces and virtues which I very much stand in need of, as Thou best knowest. O! increase and strengthen my belief in Thy heavenly truths, and grant that henceforward I may ever live by faith

and be guided by the maxims of Thy gospel. Teach me to be poor in spirit, and take off my heart from the love of these transitory things, and fix it upon eternity: teach me by Thy divine example, and by Thy most efficacious grace, to be meek and humble of heart, and in patience to possess my soul. Grant that I may ever keep my body and soul chaste and pure from the corruptions of lust; that I may ever bewail my past sins, and by a daily mortification, restrain all irregular inclinations and passions for the future. Above all things, teach me to love Thee, teach me to be ever recollected in Thee, and to walk always in Thy presence: teach me to love my friends in Thee, and my enemies for Thee; grant me to persevere to the end in Thy love, and so to come one day to that happy place, where I may love and enjoy Thee for ever.

Have mercy also on my parents, friends, and benefactors, and all those for whom I am in any ways bound to pray, that we may all love Thee and faithfully serve Thee. Have mercy on Thy whole church, and on all the clergy and religious men and women, that all may live up to their calling, and sanctify

Thy name. Give Thy grace and blessing to all princes and magistrates, and to all Christian people; convert all unbelievers and sinners, and bring all strayed sheep back to Thy fold; particularly have mercy on N. and N., &c.

O blessed Virgin, Mother of my God and Saviour, recommend all these my petitions to your Son. O all you angels and saints, citizens of heaven, join also your prayers with mine: you ever stand before his throne, and see him face to face, whom I receive here under veils: be ever mindful of me, and obtain from Him and through Him, that with you I may bless and love Him for ever. Amen.

[N. B. That upon the day of your communion, you ought to be more than ordinarily retired, and perform more devotions than usual, and keep yourself as much as possible in spirit in the company of Jesus.]

A Prayer

For the whole State of Christ's Church upon Earth, and all the Intentions of the Indulgence.

O ETERNAL Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Creator of all things, visible and invisible; source of all good; infinitely good in thyself, and infinitely gracious, bountiful, and good to us; behold we, Thy poor servants, the work of Thy hands, redeemed by the blood of Thy only Son, come, in answer to his summons by his vicegerent, to present ourselves, as humble petitioners before the throne of Thy mercy; we come all in a body at this time, even all Thy people upon earth; and we come all in communion with Thy church, in heaven, hoping to be assisted by their prayers and merits; and with Jesus Christ at our head, our High Priest and Mediator, in whose precious blood we put all our trust. We prostrate ourselves here before Thee, and most humbly beseech Thee to sanctify Thy own most holy name, by sanctifying and exalting Thy holy Catholic Church throughout the whole world. O Eternal King, who hast sent Thy only Son

down from Thy throne above, upon this earth of ours, to establish a kingdom here amongst us, from whence we might hereafter be translated to Thy eternal kingdom, look down, we beseech Thee, upon this kingdom of Thy Son, and propagate it through all nations, and through all hearts. Sanctify it in all truth: maintain it in peace, unity, and holiness. Give to it saints for its rulers, its chief pastor, and all its other prelates; enlighten them all with heavenly wisdom, and make them all men according to Thy own heart. Give Thy grace and blessing to all the clergy; and send among them that heavenly fire which Thy Son came to cast on the earth, and which he so earnestly desired should be enkindled. Assist and protect all apostolical missionaries, that they may zealously and effectually promote Thy glory, and the salvation of souls redeemed by the blood of Thy Son. Sanctify all religious men and women of all orders: give them the grace to serve Thee with all perfection, according to the spirit of their institute, and to shine like lights to the rest of the faithful. Have mercy on all Christian princes; grant them those lights and graces

that are necessary to the perfect discharge of their duty to Thee and to their subjects; that they may be true servants to Thee, the King of kings, true fathers to their people, and nursing fathers to Thy Church. Have mercy on all magistrates and men in power, that they may all fear Thee, love Thee, and serve Thee: and ever remember that they are Thy deputies, and ministers of Thy justice. Have mercy on all Thy people throughout the world, and give Thy blessing to Thy inheritance; remember Thy congregation, which 'Thou hast possessed from the beginning; and give that grace to all Thy children here upon earth, that they may do Thy holy will in all things, even as the blessed do in heaven.

Extend Thy mercy also to all poor infidels, that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death; to all those nations that know not Thee, and that have not yet received the faith and law of Thy Son their Saviour; to all Pagans, Mahometans, and Jews. Remember, O Lord, that all these poor souls are made after Thy own image and likeness, and redeemed by the blood of Thy Son. O let not Satan any longer exercise his tyranny

over these Thy creatures, to the great dishonour of Thy name. Let not the precious blood of Thy Son be shed for them in vain. Send among them zealous preachers, and apostolic labourers, endued with the like graces and gifts as Thy apostles were, and bless them with the like success, for the glory of Thy name; that all these poor souls may be brought to know Thee, love Thee, and serve Thee here in Thy Church, and bless Thee hereafter for all eternity.

Look down also with an eye of pity and compassion on all those deluded souls, who under the name of Christians have gone away from the paths of truth and unity, and from the one fold and the one shepherd, Thy only Son, Jesus Christ, into the by-paths of error and schism. O bring them back to Thee and to Thy Church. Dispel their darkness by Thy heavenly light, take off the veil from before their eyes, with which the common enemy has blindfolded them: let them see how they have been misled by misapprehensions and misrepresentations. Remove the prejudices of their education; take away from them the spirit

of obstinacy, pride, and self-conceit. Give them a humble and docile heart. Give them a strong desire of finding out Thy truth, and strong grace to enable them to embrace it in spite of all the opposition of the world, the flesh, and the devil. For why should these poor souls perish, for which Christ died? why should Satan any longer possess these souls, which by their baptism were dedicated to Thee, to be Thy eternal temple?

O Father of light, and God of all truth, purge the whole world from all errors, abuses, corruptions, and vices. Beat down the standard of Satan, and set up every where the standard of Christ. Abolish the reign of sin, and establish the kingdom of grace in all hearts. Let humility triumph over pride and ambition; charity over hatred, envy, and malice; purity and temperance over lust and excess; meekness over passion; and disinterestedness and poverty of spirit over covetousness and love of this perishable world. Let the Gospel of Jesus Christ, both in its belief and practice, prevail throughout all the universe.

Grant to us Thy peace, O Lord, in the days of our mortality, even that peace which Thy Son bequeathed as a legacy to his disciples: a perpetual peace with Thee, a perpetual peace with one another, and a perpetual peace within ourselves. Grant that all Christian princes and states may love, cherish and maintain an inviolable peace among themselves. Give them a right sense of the dreadful evils that attend on wars. Give them an everlasting horror of all that bloodshed, of the devastation and ruin of so many territories, of the innumerable sacrileges, and the eternal loss of so many thousand souls, as are the dismal consequences of war. Turn their hearts to another kind of warfare; teach them to fight for a heavenly kingdom.

Remove, O Lord, Thy wrath, which we have reason to apprehend actually hanging over our heads for our sins. Deliver all Christian people from the dreadful evil of mortal sin; make all sinners sensible of their misery, give them the grace of a sincere conversion to Thee, and a truly penitential spirit; and discharge them from all their bonds. Preserve all Christendom, and in

particular this nation, from all the evils that threaten impenitent sinners, such as plagues, famines, earthquakes, fires, inundations, mortality of cattle, sudden and unprovided death, and Thy many other judgments here, and eternal damnation hereafter. Comfort all that are under any affliction, sickness, or violence of pain ; support all that are under temptation ; reconcile all that are at variance ; deliver all that are in slavery or captivity ; defend all that are in danger ; grant a relief to all in their respective necessities ; give a happy passage to all who are in their agony. Grant Thy blessing to our friends and benefactors, and to all those for whom we are particularly bound to pray ; and have mercy on all our enemies. Give eternal rest to all the faithful departed : and bring us all to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ Thy Son. Amen.

A Hymn to our Saviour Jesus.

JESUS, the only thought of Thee,
With sweetness fills my breast ;
But sweeter far it is to see,
And on Thy beauty feast.
No sound, nor harmony so gay,
Can art or music frame ;
No thoughts can reach, no words can say,
The sweets of Thy blest name.
Jesus, our hope, when we repent,
Sweet source of all our grace ;
Sole comfort in our banishment,
Oh, what when face to face !
Jesus, that name inspires my mind,
With springs of life and light ;
More than I ask in Thee I find,
And lavish in delight.
No art or eloquence of man,
Can tell the joys of love ;
Only the saints can understand,
What they in Jesus prove.
Thee then I'll seek, retir'd apart,
From world and business free ;

When these shall knock, I'll shut my heart,
And keep it all for Thee.

Before the morning light I'll come
With Magdalen to find,
In sighs and tears, my Jesu's tomb,
And there refresh my mind.

My tears upon his grave shall flow,
My sighs the garden fill ;
Then at his feet myself I'll throw,
And there I'll seek his will.

Jesus, in Thy blest steps I'll tread,
And walk in all Thy ways ;
I'll never cease to weep and plead,
Till I'm restored to grace.

O King of love, Thy blessed fire
Does such sweet flames excite ;
That first it raises the desire,
Then fills it with delight.

Thy lovely presence shines so clear
Through every sense and way,
That souls which once have seen Thee near,
See all things else decay.

Come then, dear Lord, possess my heart,
Chase thence the shades of night ;
Come, pierce it with Thy flaming dart,
And ever shining light.

Then I'll for ever Jesus sing,
 And with the saints rejoice;
 And both my heart and tongue shall bring
 Their tribute to my dearest King,
 In never-ending joys. Amen.

The Seven Penitential Psalms.

The Antiphon.

REMEMBER not, O Lord, our offences, nor
 those of our parents, neither take Thou ven-
 geance of our sins.

I. The 6th Psalm.

LORD, rebuke me not in Thy fury, nor
 chastise me in Thine anger.

Have mercy on me, Lord, because I am
 weak: heal me, Lord, for all my bones are
 troubled.

And my soul is troubled exceedingly: but
 Thou, O Lord, how long?

Turn, O Lord, and deliver my soul; save
 me for Thy mercy's sake. Because there is
 none amongst the dead who is mindful of

I have made my sins known unto Thee:
and my injustice I have not hid.

I said, Against myself I will confess my
injustice to the Lord: and Thou hast for-
given the impiety of my sin.

For this shall every holy one pray to Thee
in a seasonable time.

Certainly in the deluge of many waters,
they shall not approach to him.

Thou art my refuge from the tribulation
which hath surrounded me: my joy, deliver
me from them that environ me.

I will give thee understanding, and I will
instruct thee in the way that thou shalt go:
I will settle mine eyes upon thee.

Do not become as the horse and mule,
which have no understanding.

With bit and bridle bind fast the jaws of
those who do not approach to Thee.

Many are the scourges of a sinner; but
mercy shall environ him that hopeth in the
Lord.

Be joyful in the Lord, and rejoice, ye just;
and glory, all ye right of heart.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

III. *The 37th Psalm.*

LORD, rebuke me not in Thy fury, nor chastise me in Thine anger.

Because Thine arrows are fastened in me, and thine hand has been strong upon me.

There is no health in my flesh in regard of Thine anger : my bones have no peace in regard to my sins.

Because mine iniquities are gone over my head ; and, as a heavy burthen, are become heavy upon me.

My sores are putrified and corrupted in regard to my folly.

I am become miserable, and am bowed down, even to extremity ; I went sorrowful all the day.

Because my reins are filled with illusions ; and there is no health in my flesh.

I am afflicted and humbled very much ; I roared out of the sighing of my heart.

Lord, all my desires are before Thee, and my groaning is not hid from Thee.

My heart is troubled, my strength hath forsaken me, and the light of my eyes itself is not with me.

My friends and my neighbours have drawn near, and stood against me.

And they that were near me stood afar off;
and they who sought my soul used force.

And they that sought my hurt spoke fallacies,
and studied deceits all the day.

But I as deaf did not hear, and was as one
dumb not opening his mouth.

And I became as a man that doth not hear,
and hath no reprehension in his mouth.

Because, O Lord, I have hoped in Thee,
that Thou wilt hear me, O Lord my God.

For I have said, lest at any time my enemies
rejoice over me: because, whilst my feet are moved,
they speak terrible things concerning me.

Because I am ready for scourges, and my
grief is always in my sight.

Because I will declare my iniquity, and I
will be thoughtful for my sin.

But my enemies live and are strengthened
over me, and they that hate me unjustly are
multiplied.

They who repay evil for good slandered me,
because I followed goodness.

Forsake me not, O Lord my God, depart
not from me.

Incline unto my help, O Lord, the God of
salvation.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

IV. *The 50th Psalm.*

HAVE mercy on me, O God, according to Thy great mercy.

And according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies, blot out my iniquities.

Wash me yet more from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

Because I know my iniquity, and my sin is always before me.

To Thee only have I sinned, and have done evil before Thee, that Thou mayest be justified in Thy words, and mayest overcome when Thou art judged.

For behold I was conceived in iniquity, and in sin hath my mother conceived me.

For behold Thou hast loved truth; the uncertain and hidden things of Thy wisdom Thou hast made manifest to me.

Thou shalt sprinkle me with hyssop, and I shall be cleansed: Thou shalt wash me, and I shall be made whiter than snow.

Thou shalt make me to hear joy and gladness, and the bones that are humbled shall rejoice.

Turn away Thy face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities.

Create a clean heart in me, O God, and renew a right spirit within my bowels.

Cast me not away from Thy face, and take not Thy holy spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and confirm me in a perfect spirit.

I will teach Thy ways to the unjust, and the wicked shall be converted to Thee.

Deliver me from blood, O God, the God of my salvation, and my tongue shall extol Thy justice.

Thou, O Lord, wilt open my lips, and my mouth shall declare Thy praise.

Because, if Thou hadst desired sacrifice, I would indeed have given it: with burnt-offerings Thou wilt not be delighted.

A sacrifice to God is an afflicted spirit; a contrite and humble heart, O God, Thou wilt not despise.

According to Thy good will, O Lord, deal favourably with Sion, that the walls of Jerusalem may be built up.

Then shalt Thou accept the sacrifice of justice, oblations, and whole burnt-offerings; then shall they lay calves upon Thy altar.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

V. *The 101st Psalm.*

O LORD, hear my prayer, and let my cry come unto Thee.

Turn not away Thy face from me: in what day soever I am in trouble, incline Thine ear to me.

In what day soever I shall call upon Thee, hear me speedily.

For my days are vanished as smoke: and my bones are withered as a thing that is burnt.

I am smitten as grass, and my heart is withered; for I have forgotten to eat my bread.

Through the voice of my groaning, my bones have cleaved to my skin.

I am become as a pelican of the wilderness: I am become as a night-crow in the house.

I have watched, and am become as a solitary sparrow on the house-top.

My enemies upbraided me all the day, and they that praised me did swear against me.

For I did eat ashes as bread, and mingled my drink with weeping.

Because of Thy wrath and indignation: for that having lifted me up, Thou hast thrown me down.

My days are declined like a shadow, and I am withered as grass.

But Thou, O Lord, remainest for ever ; and Thy remembrance from generation to generation.

Thou rising up, shalt have mercy on Sion ; for it is time to have mercy on it, for the time is come.

Because the stones thereof have pleased Thy servants, and they shall have pity on the earth thereof.

And the gentiles shall fear Thy name, O Lord, and all the kings of the earth Thy glory.

For the Lord hath built Sion, and he shall be seen in his glory.

He hath had regard to the supplication of the humble, and he hath not despised their prayers.

Let those things be written for another generation : and the people to be created shall praise the Lord.

Because he hath looked forth from his high sanctuary : the Lord from heaven hath looked upon the earth.

That he might hear the groans of such as are in fetters ; that he might unbind the children of them that are slain.

That they may show forth the name of the Lord in Sion, and his praise in Jerusalem.

When the people assembled together in one, and the kings to serve the Lord.

He answered him in the way of his strength: Declare unto me the fewness of my days.

Call me not back in the midst of my days: Thy years are from generation to generation.

In the beginning, O Lord, thou laidest the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Thy hands.

They shall perish, but Thou remainest; and all of them shall grow old as a garment.

As a vesture Thou shalt change them, and they shall be changed: but Thou art always the self-same, and Thy years shall not fail.

The sons of Thy servants shall inhabit, and their seed shall be directed for ever.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

VI. *The 129th Psalm.*

FROM the depths I have cried to Thee, O Lord: Lord, hear my voice.

Let Thine ears be attentive to the voice of my petition.

If Thou wilt observe iniquities, O Lord ;
Lord, who shall sustain it ?

Because with Thee there is propitiation ;
and because of Thy law, I have expected
Thee, O Lord.

My soul hath relied on His word : my soul
hath hoped in the Lord.

From the morning watch even until night,
let Israel hope in the Lord.

Because with the Lord there is mercy :
and with him plentiful redemption.

And he shall redeem Israel from all his
iniquities.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

VII. *The 142d Psalm.*

LORD, hear my prayer : give ear unto my
petition in Thy truth : hear me in Thy jus-
tice.

And enter not into judgment with Thy ser-
vant : for no one living shall be justified in
Thy sight.

For the enemy hath persecuted my soul :
he hath humbled my life in the earth.

He hath set me in darkness, as those who
have been long dead : and my spirit is in
anguish for myself ; my heart is troubled
within me.

I remember the ancient days, I have meditated on all Thy works: on the deeds of Thy hands did I meditate.

I have stretched forth my hands to Thee: my soul is unto Thee as earth without water.

Hear me quickly, O Lord: my spirit hath fainted away.

Turn not away Thy face from me, because I shall be like to them that descend into the lake.

Make me to hear Thy mercy in the morning; for I have hoped in Thee.

Make the way known to me wherein I should walk; because I have lifted up my soul to Thee.

Deliver me from mine enemies, O Lord; to Thee have I fled: teach me to do Thy will, because Thou art my God.

Thy good spirit shall lead me into the right land: for Thy name's sake, O Lord, Thou shalt enliven me in Thine equity.

Thou shalt bring forth my soul out of tribulation, and in Thy mercy Thou shalt destroy mine enemies.

And Thou shalt destroy all that afflict my soul, because I am Thy servant.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

The Antiphon.

REMEMBER not, O Lord, our offences, nor those of our parents, neither take Thou vengeance of our sins.

The Litany.

LORD, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.

Holy Mary,

Holy Mother of God,

Holy Virgin of Virgins,

St. Michael,

St. Gabriel,

St. Raphael,

All ye holy Angels and Archangels,

All ye holy orders of Blessed Spirits.

Pray for us.

St. John Baptist,
St. Joseph,
All ye holy Patriarchs and Prophets,
St. Peter,
St. Paul,
St. Andrew,
St. James,
St. John,
St. Thomas,
St. James,
St. Philip,
St. Bartholomew,
St. Matthew,
St. Simon,
St. Thaddæus,
St. Matthias,
St. Barnaby,
St. Luke,
St. Mark,
All ye holy Apostles and Evangelists,
All ye holy Disciples of our Lord,
All ye holy Innocents,
St. Stephen,
St. Laurence,
St. Vincent,
St. Fabian and St. Sebastian,
St. John and St. Paul,

Pray for us.

Pray for us.

St. Cosmas and St. Damian,
St. Gervase and St. Protase,
All ye holy Martyrs,
St. Silvester,
St. Gregory,
St. Ambrose,
St. Augustine,
St. Jerome,
St. Martin,
St. Nicholas,
All ye holy Bishops and Confessors,
All ye holy Doctors,
St. Anthony,
St. Benedict,
St. Bernard,
St. Dominick,
St. Francis,
All ye holy Priests and Levites,
All ye holy Monks and Hermits,
St. Mary Magdalen,
St. Agatha,
St. Lucy,
St. Agnes,
St. Cecily,
St. Catharine,
St. Anastasia,
All ye holy Virgins and Widows,

All ye Saints of God, make intercession for us.

Be merciful unto us, spare us, O Lord.

Be merciful unto us, graciously hear us, O Lord.

From all evil, O Lord, deliver us.

From all sin, O Lord, deliver us.

From Thy wrath, O Lord, deliver us.

From sudden and unprovided death, O Lord, deliver us.

From all the deceits of the devil, O Lord, deliver us.

From anger, hatred, and all ill-will, O Lord, deliver us.

From the spirit of fornication, O Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest, O Lord, deliver us.

From everlasting death, O Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of Thy holy incarnation, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy coming, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy nativity, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy baptism and holy fasting, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy cross and passion, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy death and burial, O Lord, deliver us.

By Thy holy resurrection, O Lord, deliver us.
By Thy admirable ascension, O Lord, deliver us.

By the coming of the Holy Ghost, the Comforter, O Lord, deliver us.

In the day of judgment, O Lord, deliver us.

We, sinners, do beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou spare us, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou pardon us, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to bring us to true penance, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to govern and preserve Thy holy church, we beseech Thee hear us,

That Thou vouchsafe to preserve our Apostolic Prelate, and all ecclesiastical orders of Thy holy religion, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to humble the enemies in Thy holy church, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to give peace and true concord to Christian kings and princes, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to grant peace and

unity to all Christian people, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to comfort and keep us in Thy holy service, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou lift up our minds to heavenly desires, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou render eternal good things to all our benefactors, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou deliver our souls, and those of our brethren, kinsfolk, and benefactors, from eternal damnation, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to give and preserve the fruits of the earth, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe to give eternal rest to all the faithful departed, we beseech Thee hear us.

That Thou vouchsafe graciously to hear us, we beseech Thee hear us.

Son of God, we beseech Thee hear us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God who takest away the sins of
the world, have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.

Christ, graciously hear us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Christ, have mercy on us.

Lord, have mercy on us.

Our Father, &c.

Vers. And lead us not into temptation.

Resp. But deliver us from evil. Amen.

The 69th Psalm.

INCLINE unto my aid, O God; O Lord
make haste to help me.

Let them be confounded and ashamed,
who seek my soul.

Let them be turned backward and blush
for shame, who desire evils to me.

Let them be turned away forthwith, blushing
for shame, who say unto me, Well, well.

Let all that seek Thee rejoice and be glad;
and let such as love Thy salvation, say al-
ways, The Lord be magnified.

But I am needy and poor, O God help me.

Thou art my helper and my deliverer, O
Lord be not slack.

Glory be to the Father, &c.

Vers. Save Thy servants,

Resp. Trusting in Thee, O my God.

Vers. Be unto us, O Lord, a tower of strength,

Resp. From the face of the enemy.

Vers. Let not the enemy prevail against us.

Resp. Nor the son of iniquity have power to hurt us.

Vers. O Lord, deal not with us according to our sins.

Resp. Nor reward us according to our iniquities.

Vers. Let us pray for our chief bishop, N.

Resp. Our Lord preserve him and give him life, and make him blessed on earth, and deliver him not to the will of his enemies.

Vers. Let us pray for our benefactors.

Resp. O Lord, for Thy name's sake, vouchsafe to render eternal life to all those by whom we have received good.

Vers. Let us pray for the faithful departed.

Resp. Eternal rest give to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine unto them.

Vers. Let them rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

Vers. For our absent brethren.

Resp. O my God, save Thy servants, trusting in Thee.

Vers. Send them help, O Lord, from Thy holy place.

Resp. And from Sion protect them.

Vers. O Lord, hear my prayer,

Resp. And let my supplication come unto Thee.

Let us Pray.

O GOD, whose property it is always to have mercy and to spare; receive our petitions, that we, and all Thy servants who are bound by the chains of sin, may, by the compassion of Thy goodness, mercifully be absolved.

HEAR, we beseech Thee, Lord, the prayers of Thy suppliants, and pardon the sins of them that confess to Thee, that of thy bounty Thou mayest give us pardon and peace.

OUT of Thy clemency, O Lord, show Thy unspeakable mercy to us, that so Thou mayest both acquit us of our sins, and deliver us from the punishment which we deserve for them.

O GOD, who by sin art offended, and by penance pacified, mercifully regard the prayers of Thy people who make supplication to Thee, and turn away the scourges of Thy anger which we deserve for our sins.

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God, have mercy on Thy servant N. our chief bishop, and direct him according to Thy clemency, in the way of everlasting salvation, that by Thy grace he may desire such things as are agreeable to Thy will, and perform them with all his strength.

O GOD, from whom are all holy desires, righteous counsels, and just works : give to Thy servants that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts being disposed to keep Thy commandments, and the fear of enemies taken away, the times through Thy protection may be peaceable.

INFLAME, O Lord, our reins and hearts with the fire of Thy Holy Spirit; to the end we may serve Thee with a chaste body and please Thee with a clean heart.

O GOD, the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful, give to the souls of Thy servants departed, the remission of all their sins; that, through the help of pious supplications, they may obtain the pardon which they have always been desirous of.

PREVENT, we beseech Thee, O Lord, our actions, by Thy holy inspirations, and carry them on by Thy gracious assistance; that every prayer and work of ours may begin always from Thee, and by Thee be happily ended.

O ALMIGHTY and eternal God, who hast dominion over the living and the dead, and art merciful to all whom Thou foreknowest shall be Thine by faith and good works; we humbly beseech Thee, that they for whom we have purposed to offer up our prayers, whether this present world still retains them in the flesh, or the next world hath received them out of their bodies, may, by the intercession of Thy saints, and the clemency of Thy goodness, obtain pardon and full remission of all their sins: through our Lord Jesus Christ Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth

with Thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost,
one God, world without end. Amen.

Vers. O, Lord, hear my prayer.

Resp. And let my supplication come unto
Thee.

Vers. Our Almighty and most merciful
Lord, graciously hear us.

Resp. Amen.

Vers. May the souls of the faithful,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Resp. Amen.

The Litany of our Lord Jesus.

LORD have mercy on us. *Christ have mer-
cy on us.* Lord have mercy on us. Christ
hear us. *Christ graciously hear us.*

God the Father of heaven,
God, the Son, Redeemer of the world,
God, the Holy Ghost,
Holy Trinity, one God,
Jesus, Son of the living God,
Jesus, splendour of the Father,
Jesus, brightness of eternal light,
Jesus, king of glory,

} Have mercy on us.

Jesus, the Sun of Justice,
Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary,
Jesus, whose name is called wonderful,
Jesus, the mighty God,
Jesus, the father of the world to come,
Jesus, the angel of great counsel,
Jesus, most powerful,
Jesus, most patient,
Jesus, most obedient,
Jesus, meek and humble of heart,
Jesus, lover of chastity,
Jesus, lover of us,
Jesus, the God of peace,
Jesus, the author of life,
Jesus, the example of all virtue,
Jesus, zealous lover of souls,
Jesus, our God,
Jesus, the father of the poor,
Jesus, the treasure of the faithful,
Jesus, the good shepherd,
Jesus, the true light,
Jesus, the eternal wisdom,
Jesus, infinite goodness,
Jesus, the way, the truth, and the life,
Jesus, the joy of angels,
Jesus, the king of patriarchs,
Jesus, the inspirer of prophets,
Jesus, the master of the apostles,

Have mercy on us.

Jesus, the teacher of the evangelists,
 Jesus, the strength of martyrs,
 Jesus, the light of confessors,
 Jesus, the spouse of virgins,
 Jesus, the crown of saints,

Have
 mercy on us.

Be merciful unto us. *Spare us, O Lord Jesus.*

Be merciful unto us. *Hear us, O Lord Jesus.*

From all evil,

From all sin,

From thy wrath,

From the snares of the devil,

From the spirit of uncleanness,

From everlasting death,

From the neglect of thy holy inspirations,

Through the mystery of Thy most holy
 incarnation,

Through Thy nativity,

Through Thy divine infancy,

Through Thy sacred life,

Through Thy labours and travels,

Through Thy agony and bloody sweat,

Through Thy cross and passion,

Through Thy pains and torments,

Through Thy death and burial,

Through Thy glorious resurrection,

Through Thy admirable ascension,

Through Thy joys and glory,

On the day of judgment,

Lord Jesus deliver us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord Jesus.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, *Hear us, O Lord Jesus.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world, *Have mercy on us, O Lord, Jesus.*

Christ Jesus, hear us; *Christ Jesus, graciously hear us.*

Let us Pray.

O LORD Jesus Christ, who has said, ask and ye shall receive, seek and ye shall find, knock and it shall be opened unto you: grant, we beseech Thee, to our most humble supplications, [the gift of Thy divine love, that we may ever love Thee with our whole hearts, and never cease from praising and glorifying Thy name.

O DIVINE Redeemer, give us a perpetual fear and love of Thy holy name, for Thou never ceasest to direct and govern by Thy grace, those whom thou instructest in the solidity of Thy love, who livest and reignest God, world without end. Amen.

O GOD who hast appointed Thy only begotten Son, the Saviour of mankind, and hast commanded that he should be called Jesus; mercifully grant that we may enjoy his happy vision in heaven, whose holy name we venerate upon earth; who with Thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth God, world without end. Amen.

The Litany of the blessed Virgin.

ANTHEM. We fly to your patronage, O holy Mother of God; despise not our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us from all dangers, O ever glorious and blessed Virgin.

Lord have mercy on us. *Christ have mercy on us.* Lord have mercy on us. Christ hear us. *Christ graciously hear us.* God, the Father of Heaven, *Have mercy on us.*

God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, *Have mercy on us.*

God, the Holy Ghost, *Have mercy on us.*
Holy Trinity, one God, *Have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary,
Holy Mother of God,
Holy virgin of virgins,
Mother of Christ,
Mother of divine grace,
Mother most pure,
Mother most chaste,
Mother undefiled,
Mother untouched,
Mother most amiable,
Mother most admirable,
Mother of our Creator,
Mother of our Redeemer,
Virgin most prudent,
Virgin most venerable,
Virgin most renowned,
Virgin most powerful,
Virgin most merciful,
Virgin most faithful,
Mirror of justice,
Seat of wisdom,
Cause of our joy,
Spiritual vessel,
Vessel of honour,
Vessel of singular devotion,
Mystical rose,
Tower of David,

Pray for us.

Tower of ivory,
 House of gold,
 Ark of the covenant,
 Gate of heaven,
 Morning star,
 Health of the weak,
 Refuge of sinners,
 Comforter of the afflicted,
 Help of christians,
 Queen of angels,
 Queen of patriarchs,
 Queen of prophets,
 Queen of apostles,
 Queen of Martyrs,
 Queen of confessors,
 Queen of virgins,
 Queen of all saints,

Pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. *Spare us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. *Graciously hear us, O Lord.*

Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world. *Have mercy on us.*

Christ hear us. *Christ graciously hear us.*

Lord have mercy on us. *Christ have mercy on us.*

Lord have mercy on us. *Our Father, &c.*

Anthem. We fly to your patronage, O holy Mother of God, despise not our petition in our necessities; but deliver us from all dangers, O ever glorious and blessed Virgin.

V. Pray for us, O holy mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us Pray.

POUR forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son has been made known by the message of an angel, may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the divine assistance remain always with us. Amen.

And may the souls of the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

10 rule THE PRAYER OF ST. BERNARD.

Memorare, &c.

REMEMBER, O most holy Virgin Mary! that no one ever had recourse to your protection, implored your help, or sought your

mediation, without obtaining relief. Confiding, therefore, in your goodness, behold me, a penitent sinner, sighing out my sins before you, beseeching you to adopt me for your son, and to take upon you the care of my eternal salvation.

Despise not, O Mother of Jesus! the petition of your humble client, but hear and grant my prayer.

The Litany of St. Joseph.

LORD have mercy on us. *Christ have mercy on us.* Lord have mercy on us. Jesus receive our prayers. *Lord Jesus, grant our petition.*

O God the Father, Creator of the world *have mercy on us.*

O God the Son, Redeemer of mankind *have mercy on us.*

O God the Holy Ghost, perfecter of the elect, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, one God, *have mercy on us.*
Holy Mary, spouse of St. Joseph, *pray for us.*

St. Joseph, advocate of the humble,
St. Joseph, blessed amongst men,
St. Joseph, defender of the meek,
St. Joseph, exiled with Christ into Egypt,
St. Joseph, favourite of the King of heaven,
St. Joseph, guardian of the Word incarnate,
St. Joseph, honoured among men,
St. Joseph, pattern of humanity and obedience,
St. Joseph, kind intercessor for the afflicted
St. Joseph, lily of chastity and temperance
St. Joseph, example of silence and resignation,
St. Joseph, nursing father to the Son of God,
St. Joseph, the just and perfect man,
St. Joseph, pattern of the industrious and innocent,
St. Joseph, endowed with all virtue,
St. Joseph, ruler of the family of Jesus,
St. Joseph, spouse of the ever B. Virgin,
St. Joseph, possessed of all glorious privileges,
St. Joseph, union of all christian perfections,
St. Joseph, protector of the dying,
St. Joseph, our dear patron and defender,

Pray for us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Hear us, O Lord.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, *Have mercy on us.*

V. Pray for us, O holy St. Joseph.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us Pray.

O GOD, who didst make choice of holy St. Joseph, to be the spouse of the blessed Virgin Mary, the nurse and guardian of Thy blessed Son Jesus, we humbly beseech Thee to grant us, through his intercession, purity both of soul and body, that being free from all sin, and adorned with the wedding garment, we may be admitted to the nuptials of the Lamb in eternal glory, through the same Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer to our Angel Guardian.

O HOLY angel, who art appointed by the Divine Goodness to be my guardian, to conduct my blindness, teach my ignorance,

strengthen my weakness, and excite my slothfulness: I heartily praise our common Lord for so singular a benefit, and thank Thee for the many good offices which thou hast done for me; defending me amidst so many dangers both of soul and body, but especially by withholding me from sin, and preserving me when I was hastening to my own destruction. I humbly beseech thee to continue the same care on my behalf, until thou shalt have brought my soul to the happy port of everlasting salvation. Amen.

A Prayer to the Saint of our name, or Patron.

O BLESSED Saint N. glorious citizen of heaven, as I render most humble thanks to God, for all the good He hath done thee, so I beseech thee to remember me in thy prayers and to obtain for me the entire remission of my sins, the amendment of my life, and the imitation of thy good spirit, and holy graces, that I may be perfectly reconciled to my Saviour, and always please him: but especially I recommend to thee the hour of my death, that by thy holy intercession, my soul may depart this world in the grace of God, and immediately come to life everlasting. Amen.

Devotions for the Sick.

Instructions and Devotions for the Sick.

“ 1. IF you are attacked by any considerable illness, let your first care be to send for your spiritual physician, and settle the state of your soul. This is much better done in the beginning of your sickness than afterwards, when the strength of the fever, or the quality of the remedies, may render a person absolutely unfit for so great a work. Sickness is often sent for a punishment of sin, and therefore a sincere repentance and confession of sins, is often a more effectual means of recovery than any other.

“ 2. If you have not your will already made, as it is prudent you ought, let this also be done in the beginning of your sickness, that so, having settled your temporal affairs, you may apply your soul, without disturbance, to the spiritual.

“ 3. Engage your best friends to give you timely notice, if your distemper be dangerous, and not to flatter you with the hopes of life, when there are little or no grounds for hope. Making the best use you can of that time which, perhaps, is to be your last. Admit but of few visits, nor of any other discourse, but such as may be for your soul's profit.

“ 4. Take proper care for the discharge of your debts, and all other obligations incumbent upon you; and this as much as may be

in the beginning also of your sickness : forgive all those who have any way injured you, and ask pardon of those you have injured.

“ 5. Receive your sickness from the hand of God with a perfect resignation to his holy will, as a just punishment of your offences. Frequently offer yourself up to him, and beg that he would give you patience, and sanctify your sufferings, and that he would accept of all your pains and uneasinesses. In union with the sufferings of your Saviour, Jesus Christ, in deduction of the punishment due to your sins.

“ 6. Often procure some friend to read to you such prayers as are most effective ; and most proper for your present condition ; especially the Penitential Psalms, the Litanies, Acts of the Love of God, of Patience and Resignation, &c.

“ 7. Have the Crucifix, or picture of Christ crucified, always before your eyes ! think often upon his passion, hide yourself in spirit in his wounds, and embrace his feet with all the affections of your soul.

“ 8. Aim, as much as you can, at a penitential spirit, during your sickness : often cry to God for mercy, and make frequent acts of contrition for your sins. St. Augustine used to say, that no Christian, however innocent his life might have been, ought to venture to die in any other state than that of a *penitent*.”

A Prayer proper to be daily repeated in time of Sickness.

LORD Jesus Christ, behold I receive this sickness, with which Thou art pleased to visit me, as coming from Thy fatherly hand. It is Thy will it should be thus with me, and therefore I submit: Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. May this sickness be to the honour of Thy holy name, and for the good of my soul. For this end I here offer myself with an entire submission to Thy appointment; to suffer whatever Thou pleasest, as long as Thou pleasest, and in what manner Thou pleasest; for I am Thy creature, O Lord, who have most ungratefully offended Thee: and since my sins have a long time cried aloud to Heaven for justice, why shall I now complain if I feel Thy hand upon me? No, my God, Thou art just in all Thy ways: I have truly deserved Thy punishment, and therefore I have no reason to complain of Thee, but only of my own wickedness.

But rebuke me not, O Lord, in Thy fury, nor chastise me in Thy wrath: but have regard to my weakness. Thou knowest how frail I am: that I am nothing but dust and ashes: deal not with me, therefore, accord-

ing to my sins, neither punish me according to my iniquities : but according to the multitude of Thy most tender mercies, have compassion on me. O ! let Thy justice be tempered with mercy, and let Thy heavenly grace come in to my assistance, to support me under this my illness. Confirm my soul with strength from above, that I may bear with a true Christian patience, all the uneasiness, pains, disquiets, and difficulties of my sickness, and that I may cheerfully accept them as the just punishment of my offences : preserve me from all temptations, and be thou my defence against all the assaults of the enemy, that in this illness I may no way offend Thee ; and if this is to be my last, I beg of Thee so to direct me by Thy grace, that I may no ways neglect or be deprived of those helps, which Thou hast in Thy mercy ordained for the good of my soul, to prepare it for its passage into eternity ; that being perfectly cleansed from all my sins, I may believe in Thee, put my whole trust in Thee, love Thee above all things, and through the merits of Thy death and passion, be admitted into the company of the blessed, where I may praise Thee for ever. Amen.

*Short Acts of the most necessary Virtues,
proper to be inculcated in the time of
Sickness.*

LORD, I accept this sickness from Thy hands, and entirely resign myself to Thy blessed will, whether it be for life or death. Not my will, but Thine be done: Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.

Lord, I submit to all the pains and uneasinesses of this my illness; my sins have deserved infinitely more. Thou art just, O Lord, and Thy judgment is right.

Lord, I offer up to Thee all that I now suffer, or may have yet to suffer, to be united to the sufferings of my Redeemer, and sanctified by his passion.

I adore Thee, O my God, and my All, as my first beginning and last end! and I desire to pay Thee the best homage I am able, and to bow down all the powers of my soul to Thee.

Lord, I desire to praise Thee for ever, in sickness as well as in health: I desire to join my heart and my voice with the whole Church of Heaven and earth, in blessing Thee for ever.

I Give Thee thanks from the bottom of my

heart, for all Thy mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and Thy whole Church, through Jesus Christ thy Son ; and above all, for Thy having loved me from all eternity, and redeemed me with His precious blood. Oh ! let not that blood be shed for me in vain.

O my God, all my hopes are in Thee : and through Jesus Christ my Redeemer ; and through his passion and death, I hope for mercy, grace, and salvation from Thee. In Thee, O Lord, have I put my trust, O let me never be confounded.

O sweet Jesus, receive me into Thy arms in this day of my distress ; hide me in Thy wounds, bathe my soul in Thy precious blood.

I love Thee, O my God, with my whole heart and soul, above all things ; at least I desire so to love Thee. O come now and take possession of my whole soul, and teach me to love Thee for ever. I desire to be dissolved, and to be with Christ.

I desire to embrace every neighbour with perfect charity for the love of Thee. I forgive from my heart all that have any ways offended or injured me, and ask pardon of all whom I have any ways offended.

Have mercy on me, O God, according to

Thy great mercy ; and according to the multitude of Thy tender mercies blot out all my iniquities.

O who will give water to my head, and fountains of tears to my eyes, that night and day I may bewail all my sins ?

O that I had never offended so good a God !
O that I had never sinned ! Happy those souls that have always preserved their baptismal innocence !

Lord be merciful to me a sinner ; sweet Jesus, Son of the living God, have mercy on me.

I recommend my soul to God, my Creator, who made me out of nothing ; to Jesus Christ, my Saviour, who redeemed me with his precious blood ; to the Holy Ghost, who sanctified me in baptism. Into Thy hands, O Lord, I recommend my spirit.

I renounce from this moment, and for all eternity, the devil and all his works : and I abhor all his suggestions and temptations. O suffer not, O Lord, this mortal enemy of my soul to have any power over me, either now or at my last hour. O let Thy holy angels defend me from all the powers of darkness.

O holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now, and at the hour of death. ()

all ye blessed angels and saints of God, pray for me a poor sinner.

LITANY FOR A HAPPY DEATH,

Composed by a Young Lady, who at ten years of age was converted to the Catholic Faith, and died at eighteen, in the odour of sanctity.

O LORD Jesus, God of goodness, and Father of mercies, I approach to Thee with a contrite and humble heart; to Thee I recommend the last hour of my life, and the decision of my eternal doom.

When my feet, benumbed with death, shall admonish me, that my mortal course is drawing to an end,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my eyes, dim and troubled at the approach of death, shall fix themselves on Thee, my last and only support,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my face, pale and livid, shall inspire the beholders with pity and dismay: when my hair, bathed in the sweat of death and stiffening on my head, shall forbode my approaching end,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my ears, soon to be for ever shut to the discourse of men, shall be opened to hear the irrevocable decree, which is to cut me off from the number of the living,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my imagination, agitated by dread

ful spectres, shall be sunk in an abyss of anguish; when my soul, affrighted with the sight of my iniquities, and the terrors of Thy judgment, shall have to fight against the angel of darkness, who will endeavour to conceal Thy mercies from my eyes, and to plunge me into despair—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my poor heart, yielding to the pressure, and exhausted by its frequent struggles against the enemies of its salvation, shall feel the pangs of death,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When the last tear, the forerunner of my dissolution, shall drop from my eyes, receive it as a sacrifice of expiation for my sins; grant that I may expire the victim of penance, and in that dreadful moment,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my friends and relations, encircling my bed, shall shed the tear of pity over me, and invoke Thy clemency in my behalf,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When I shall have lost the use of my senses, when the world shall have vanished from my sight, when my agonizing soul shall feel the sorrows of death,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my last sigh shall summon my soul to burst from the embraces of the body, and to spring to Thee on the wings of impatience and desire,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When my soul, trembling on my lips, shall bid adieu to the world, and leave my body

lifeless, pale, and cold, receive this separation as a homage, which I willingly pay to Thy Divine Majesty, and in that last moment of my mortal life,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

When at length my soul, admitted to Thy presence, shall first behold the splendour of Thy Majesty, reject me not, but receive me into Thy bosom, where I may for ever sing Thy praises; and in that moment, when eternity shall begin to me,—merciful Jesus, have mercy on me.

Let us Pray.

O GOD, who hast doomed all men to die, but hast concealed from all the hour of their death, grant that I may pass my days in the practice of holiness and justice, and that I may deserve to quit this world in the peace of a good conscience, and in the embraces of Thy love, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Jesus Psalter.

THERE is no other name under heaven given to men whereby we must be saved.
Acts. iv. 12.

This Psalter consists of fifteen petitions, and the glorious name of Jesus being repeated

ten times before each of them, the repetition is made thrice fifty times. It may be said either all at once, or at thrice, according to a person's devotion and leisure: as this sacred Name is not to be repeated hastily over, but with great reverence and devotion.

PART I.—*You must begin with a devout kneeling or bowing, at the adorable name of Jesus, saying:*

IN the name of Jesus let every knee bow, of things in heaven, of things on earth, and of things under the earth; and let every tongue confess, that our Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father. *Phil. ii. 10.*

The First Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	have mercy on me.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, have mercy on me, O God of compassion, and forgive the many and great offences I have committed in thy sight.

Many have been the follies of my life, and great are the miseries I have deserved for my ingratitude.

Have mercy on me, dear Jesus, for I am

weak ; O Lord, heal me, who am unable to help myself.

Deliver me from setting my heart upon any of Thy creatures, which may divert my eyes from a continual looking up to Thee.

Grant me grace henceforth, for the love of Thee, to hate sin ; and out of a just esteem of Thee, to despise all worldly vanities.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesus, I beseech Thee ; turn their vices into virtues, and making them true observers of Thy law, and sincere lovers of Thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory.

Have mercy also on the souls in purgatory, for Thy bitter passion, I beseech Thee, and for thy glorious name Jesus.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Second Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	<i>Help me.</i>
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, help me to overcome all temptations to sin, and the malice of my ghostly enemy.

Help me to spend my time in virtuous actions, and in such labours as are acceptable to Thee.

To resist and repel the motions of my flesh to sloth, gluttony, and carnality.

To render my heart enamoured of virtue, and inflamed with desires of Thy glorious presence.

Help me to preserve and keep a good name, by a peaceful and pious living to Thy honour, O Jesus, to my own comfort, and the benefit of others.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as before.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Third Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	strengthen me.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, strengthen me in soul and body, to please Thee in doing such works of virtue, as may bring me to Thy everlasting joy and felicity.

Grant me a firm purpose, most merciful Saviour, to amend my life, and to recompense for the years past.

Those years I have misspent to Thy displeasure, in vain or wicked thoughts, words, deeds, and evil customs.

Make my heart obedient to Thy will, and

ready for Thy love to perform all the works of mercy.

Grant me the gifts of the Holy Ghost, which, by a virtuous life, and devout frequenting Thy most holy sacraments, may at length bring me to Thy heavenly kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as before.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Fourth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	} comfort me.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.</i>	

JESUS comfort me, and give me grace to place my chief, my only joy and felicity in Thee.

Send me heavenly meditations, spiritual sweetness, and fervent desires of Thy glory ; ravish my soul with the contemplation of heaven, where I shall everlastingly dwell with Thee.

Bring often to my remembrance Thy unspeakable goodness, Thy gifts, and the great kindness Thou hast shewn me.

And when Thou bringest to my mind the sad remembrance of my sins, whereby I have so unkindly offended Thee:

Comfort me with the assurance of obtaining Thy grace, by the spirit of perfect repentance, which may purge away my guilt, and prepare me for Thy kingdom.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as before.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Fifth Petition.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } make me constant.

JESUS, make me constant in faith, hope, and charity, giving me perseverance in all virtues, and a resolution never to offend Thee.

Let the memory of Thy passion, and of those bitter pains Thou sufferedst for me, strengthen my patience, and recreate me in all tribulation and adversity.

Let me always hold fast the doctrines of Thy Catholic church, and render me a diligent frequenter of all holy duties.

Let no false delight of this deceitful world blind me; no fleshly temptation, or fraud of the devil, shake my heart.

My heart, which has for ever set up its rest in Thee, and resolved to undervalue all for Thy eternal reward.

Have mercy on all sinners, Jesus, I beseech Thee; turn their vices into virtues, and making them true observers of Thy law, and sincere lovers of Thee, bring them to bliss in everlasting glory.

Have mercy also on the souls in purgatory, for Thy bitter passion, I beseech Thee, and for Thy glorious name, Jesus.

O blessed Trinity, one eternal God, have mercy on me.

Our Lord Jesus Christ *humbled himself, being made obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.*—Phil. ii. 8.

Hear these my petitions, O my most merciful Saviour, and grant me grace so frequently to repeat and consider them, that they may prove easy steps whereby my soul may ascend to the knowledge, love and performance of my duty to Thee and my neighbour, through the whole course of my life. Amen. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

PART II.—*Begin as before, saying :* In the name of Jesus, let every knee, &c.

The Sixth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	enlighten me with spiritual wisdom.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, enlighten me with spiritual wisdom to know Thy goodness, and all those things which are most acceptable to Thee.

Grant me a clear apprehension of my only good, and discretion to order my life according to it.

Grant that I may wisely proceed from virtue to virtue, till at length I arrive at the clear vision of Thy glorious Majesty.

Permit me not, dear Lord, to return to those sins for which I have been sorry, and of which I have purged myself by repentance and confession.

Grant me grace to benefit the souls of others by my good example, and to reduce those by good counsel, who misbehave towards Thee.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as at first. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Seventh Petition.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to
fear Thee.

JESUS, grant me grace inwardly to fear Thee, and to avoid all occasions of offending Thee.

Let Thy threats of the torments which are to fall on sinners, the fear of losing Thy love and Thy heavenly inheritance, always keep me in awe.

Let me not dare to remain in sin, but soon return to repentance, lest through Thy anger the dreadful sentence of endless death and damnation fall upon me.

Let the powerful intercession of Thy blessed Mother, and all Thy saints; but above all, Thy own merits and mercy, O my Saviour, be ever between Thy avenging justice and my poor soul.

Enable me, O my God, to work out my salvation with fear and trembling, and let the apprehension of Thy sacred judgment render me a more humble and diligent suitor to the throne of Thy grace.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as at first. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Eighth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	grant me grace to love Thee.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, grant me grace truly to love Thee for thy infinite goodness, and those excessive bounties I have received, and hope for ever to receive from Thee.

Let the remembrance of Thy kindness and patience conquer the malice and wretched inclinations of my perverse nature.

Let the consideration of my many deliverances, Thy frequent calls, and continual assistance in the ways of life, make me ashamed of my ingratitude.

And what dost Thou require of me for all Thy mercies, or by them, but to love Thee? And why dost Thou require it, but because Thou art my only good?

O my dear Lord, my whole life shall be nothing but a desire of Thee: and because I indeed love Thee, I will most diligently keep Thy commandments.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as at first.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Ninth Petition.

Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,
Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, } grant me grace to
remember my death.

JESUS, grant me grace always to remember my death, and the great account I am then to give ; that so my soul being always well-disposed, it may depart out of this world in Thy grace.

Then, by the holy intercession of Thy blessed Mother, and the assistance of the glorious St. Michael, deliver me from the enemy of my soul ; and thou, my good angel, I beseech thee to help me at that most important hour.

Then, dear Jesus, remember Thy mercy, and turn not Thy most amiable face away from me, because of my offences.

Secure me against the terrors of that day, by causing me now to die daily to all earthly things, and so to have my conversation continually in heaven.

Let the remembrance of my death teach me how to esteem my life ; and the memory of Thy resurrection encourage me to descend cheerfully into the grave.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as at first.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Tenth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	} send me here my purgatory.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	

JESUS, send me here my purgatory, and so prevent the torments of that cleansing fire which attends those souls in the next world, that have not been sufficiently purged in this.

Vouchsafe to grant me those merciful crosses and afflictions, which Thou seest necessary for the taking off my affections from all things here below.

Since none can see Thee that love any thing which is not for Thy sake, suffer not my heart to find any rest here, but in sighing after Thee.

Too bitter, alas, will be the anguish of a soul that is separated from Thee, that desires, but cannot come to Thee, being clogged with the heavy chains of sin.

Here, then, O my Saviour, keep me continually mortified in this world; that, being purged thoroughly with the fire of Thy love, I may immediately pass from hence into Thy everlasting possessions.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c. as in the

fifth Petition. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c. I believe, &c.

PART III — *Begin as before, saying:* In the name of Jesus, let every knee, &c.

The Eleventh Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	grant me grace to avoid ill company.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, grant me grace to avoid ill company, or if I chance to come among such, I beseech Thee, by the merits of Thy uncorrupt conversation among sinners, preserve me from being overcome by any temptations to mortal sin.

Cause me, O blessed Lord, to remember always with dread, that Thou art present, and hearest, who will take an account of all our words and actions, and wilt judge us according to them.

How dare I then converse with slanderers, liars, drunkards, or swearers ; or with such whose discourse is either quarrelsome, dissolute, or vain.

Repress in me, dear Jesus, all inordinate affections or carnal pleasures, and to t

delight of taste; grant me grace to avoid such company as would blow the fire of those unruly appetites.

Thy power defend, Thy wisdom direct, Thy fatherly pity chastise me, and make me live so here among men, that I may be fit for the conversation of angels hereafter.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c., as at first. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Twelfth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	grant me grace to
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		call on Thee for
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		help.

JESUS, grant me grace in all my necessities to call on Thee for help, faithfully remembering Thy death and resurrection for me.

Wilt Thou be deaf to my cries, that wouldst lay down Thy life for my ransom? or canst Thou not save me, that couldst take it up again for my crown?

Whom have I in heaven but Thee, O my Jesus, whose blessed mouth has pronounced, *Call on me in the day of trouble, and I will deliver thee.*

Thou art my sure rock of defence against all sorts of enemies: Thou art my ready

grace, able to strengthen me to every good work.

Therefore, in all my sufferings, weaknesses, and temptations, I will confidently call on Thee; hear me, O my Jesus, and, when Thou hearest, have mercy.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c., as at first. Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Thirteenth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	make me persevere in virtue.
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		

JESUS, make me persevere in virtue and a good life, and never give over Thy service, till Thou bringest me to my reward in Thy kingdom.

In all pious customs and holy duties, in my honest and necessary employments, continue and strengthen, O Lord, my soul and body.

Is my life anything but a pilgrimage on earth, towards the new *Jerusalem*, to which he that sits down, or turns out of the way, can never arrive?

O Jesus, make me always consider Thy blessed example; through how much pain

and how little pleasure, Thou didst press on to a bitter death ; that being the way to a glorious resurrection.

Make me, O my Redeemer, seriously weigh those severe words of Thine, *he only that perseveres to the end shall be saved.*

Have mercy on all sinners, &c., as before. Our Father, &c. Hail, Mary, &c.

The Fourteenth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	grant me grace to
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		fix my mind on
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		Thee.

JESUS, grant me grace to fix my mind on Thee, especially in time of prayer, when I directly converse with Thee.

Stop the motions of my wandering head, and the desires of my unstable heart : suppress the power of my spiritual enemies, who endeavour at that time to draw my mind from heavenly thoughts, to many vain imaginations.

So shall I, with joy and gratitude, look on Thee as my deliverer from all the evils I have escaped ; and as my benefactor for all the good I have ever received, or can hope for.

I shall see that Thou art my only good,

and that all other things are but means ordained by Thee, to make me fix my mind on Thee, to make me love Thee more and more, and by loving Thee, to be eternally happy.

O beloved of my soul, take up all my thoughts here, that my eyes, abstaining from all vain and hurtful sights, may become worthy to behold Thee face to face in Thy glory for ever.

Have mercy on all sinners, &c., as at first.
Our Father, &c. Hail Mary, &c.

The Fifteenth Petition.

<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>	}	give me grace to order
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		my life towards my
<i>Jesus, Jesus, Jesus,</i>		eternal welfare.

JESUS, give me grace to order my life towards my eternal welfare, heartily intending, and wisely designing, all the operations of my body and soul to obtain the reward of Thy infinite bliss, and eternal felicity.

For what else is this world, but a school to breed up souls, and fit them for the other; and how are they fitted up but by an eager desire of enjoying God, their only end?

Break my froward spirit, O Jesus; make it humble and obedient; grant me grace to

the title *Full of grace*, and declared unto her the incarnation of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Our Father, &c. *once*. Hail Mary, &c. *ten times*.

Let us Pray.

O HOLY Mary, Queen of Virgins, through the most high mystery of the incarnation of thy beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by which our salvation was so happily begun; obtain for us, through thine intercession, light to be sensible of the greatness of the benefit he hath bestowed on us, in vouchsafing to become our Brother, and thee his own beloved Mother, to be our Mother also. *Amen.*

II. *The Visitation.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how the blessed Virgin Mary, understanding from the angel that her cousin, St. Elizabeth, had conceived, went with haste into the mountains of Judea to visit her, and remained with her three months. Our Father, &c. *once*. Hail Mary, &c. *ten times*.

Let us Pray.

O HOLY Virgin, most spotless mirror of humility, by that exceeding charity which

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IV. *The Oblation of our blessed Lord in the Temple.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how the blessed Virgin Mary, on the day of her purification, presented the child Jesus in the Temple, where holy Simeon, giving thanks to God, with great devotion received him into his arms. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O HOLY Virgin, most admirable mistress and patroness of obedience, who didst present in the Temple the Lord of the Temple; obtain for us, of thy beloved Son, that with holy Simeon and devout Anna, we may praise and glorify him for ever. *Amen.*

V. *The finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how the blessed Virgin Mary, after having lost, without any fault of hers, her beloved Son in Jerusalem, sought him for the space of three days, and at length found him the third day in the Temple, in the midst of the doctors, disputing with them, being of the age of twelve years. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

MOST blessed Virgin, more than martyr in thy sufferings, and yet the comfort of such as are afflicted ; by that unspeakable joy wherewith thy soul was ravished at finding thy beloved Son in the Temple, in the midst of the doctors, disputing with them ; obtain of him, that we may so seek him, and find him in the holy Catholic Church, as to be never more separated from him. *Amen.*

Salve Regina.

HAIL, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, our life, our sweetness and our hope ; to thee do we cry, poor banished sons of Eve, to thee do we send our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley in tears : turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this our exile ended, shew unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus ! O most clement, most pious, and most sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, holy Mother of God,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us Pray.

HEAR, O Merciful God, the prayer of Thy servants, that we, who meet together in the society of the most holy Rosary of the blessed Virgin, Mother of God, may, through her intercession, be delivered by thee from the dangers that continually hang over us. *Amen.*

The Dolorous or Sorrowful Mysteries, for Tuesdays and Fridays throughout the Year, and the Sundays in Lent.

I. *The Prayer and bloody Sweat of our blessed Saviour in the Garden.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus was so afflicted for us in the Garden of Gethsemani, that his body was bathed in a bloody sweat, which ran trickling down in great drops upon the ground. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

MOST holy Virgin, more than martyr, by that ardent prayer which thy beloved Son poured forth unto his Father in the Garden, vouchsafe to intercede for us, that our passions being reduced to the obedience of reason, we may always, and in all things, conform and subject ourselves to the will of God. *Amen.*

II. The Scourging of our blessed Lord at the Pillar.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ was most cruelly scourged in Pilate's house, the number of stripes they gave him (*as it was revealed to St. Bridget*) being about five thousand. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O MOTHER of God, overflowing fountain of patience, through those stripes thy only and most beloved Son vouchsafed to suffer for us, obtain of him for us grace, that we may know how to mortify our rebellious senses, and cut off all occasions of sinning, with that sword of grief and compassion which pierced thy most tender soul. *Amen.*

III. The Crowning of our blessed Saviour with Thorns.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how those cruel ministers of Satan plaited a crown of sharp thorns, and most cruelly pressed it on the most sacred head of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O MOTHER of our eternal Prince, and King of Glory, by those sharp thorns, wherewith his most holy head was pierced, we beseech thee, that, through thy intercession, we may be delivered from all motions of pride, and, in the day of judgment, from that confusion which our sins deserve. *Amen.*

IV. Jesus carrying his Cross.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being sentenced to die, bore, with the most amazing patience, the cross, which was laid upon him for his greater torment and ignominy. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O HOLY Virgin, example of patience, by the most painful carrying of the cross in which thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ bore the heavy weight of our sins; obtain for us, of him, through thy intercession, courage and strength to follow his steps, and bear our cross after him unto the end of our lives. *Amen.*

V. The Crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, being come to Mount Calvary, was stripped of his clothes, and his hands and feet most cruelly nailed to the cross in the presence of his most afflicted Mother. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O HOLY Mary, Mother of God, as the body of thy beloved Son was for us stretched on the cross, so may our desires be daily more and more extended in his service, and our hearts wounded with compassion for his most bitter passion; and thou, O most blessed Virgin, graciously vouchsafe, by thy powerful intercession, to help us to accomplish the work of our salvation. *Amen.*

The Salve Regina. Hail happy Queen, &c. with the verse and prayer as p. 179.

The Glorious Mysteries, for Wednesdays and Saturdays throughout the Year, and the Sundays from Easter till Advent.

I. The Resurrection.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ triumphing glorious

over death, rose again the third day, immortal and impassible. Our Father, &c. *once.*
Hail Mary &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O GLORIOUS Virgin Mary, by that unspeakable joy thou receivedst in the resurrection of thine only Son, we beseech thee obtain of him for us, that our hearts may never go astray after the false joys of this world, but may be ever and wholly employed in the pursuit of the only true and solid joys of heaven. *Amen.*

II. The Ascension of Christ into Heaven.

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how our Lord Jesus Christ, forty days after his resurrection, ascended into heaven, attended by angels, in the sight and to the great admiration of his most holy Mother, his holy apostles and disciples. Our Father, &c. *once.*
Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O MOTHER of God, comfortress of the afflicted, as thy beloved Son, when he ascended into heaven, lifted up his hands, and blessed his apostles, so vouchsafe, most holy

Mother, to lift up thy pure hands to him for us, that we may enjoy the benefits of his blessing, and thine also on earth, and hereafter in heaven. *Amen.*

III. *The Descent of the Holy Ghost on the Apostles.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how the Lord Jesus Christ, being seated on the right hand of God, sent, as he had promised, the Holy Ghost upon his apostles, who, after he was ascended, returning to Jerusalem, continued in prayer and supplication with the blessed Virgin Mary, expecting the performance of his promise. Our Father, &c. *once. Hail Mary, &c. ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O SACRED Virgin, tabernacle of the Holy Ghost, we beseech thee, obtain by thine intercession, that this most sweet Comforter, whom thy beloved Son sent down upon his apostles (filling them thereby with spiritual joy), may teach us, in this world, the true way of salvation, and make us walk in the paths of virtue and good works. *Amen.*

IV. *The Assumption of the blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery, how the glorious Virgin, twelve years after the resurrection of her Son, passed out of this world unto him, and was by him assumed into heaven, accompanied by the holy angels. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O MOST prudent Virgin, who entering the heavenly place, didst fill the holy angels with joy, and man with hope, vouchsafe to intercede for us at the hour of our death, that being delivered from the illusions and temptations of the Devil, we may joyfully and securely pass out of this temporal state, to enjoy the happiness of eternal life. *Amen.*

V. *The Coronation of the blessed Virgin Mary in Heaven.*

LET us contemplate in this mystery how the glorious Virgin Mary was, to the great jubilee and exultation of the whole court of heaven, and particular glory of all the saints, crowned by her Son with the brightest diadem of glory. Our Father, &c. *once.* Hail Mary, &c. *ten times.*

Let us Pray.

O GLORIOUS Queen of all the heavenly citizens, we beseech thee, accept this Rosary, which as a crown of roses we offer at thy feet : and grant, most gracious Lady, that, by thy intercession, our souls may be inflamed with so ardent a desire, of seeing thee so gloriously crowned, that it may never die in us, until it shall be changed into the happy fruition of thy blessed sight. *Amen.*

The Salve Regina, Hail, happy Queen, &c. with the verse and prayer as p. 179.

The Litany of our blessed Lady of Loretto, p. 140.

The manner of Lay Persons Baptizing an Infant in Danger of Death.

TAKE common water, pour it on the head or face of the child, and, while you are pouring it, say the following words :

“ I baptize thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.”

The Common Vespers on Sundays.

Our Father and Hail Mary being said

A. DEUS in adjutorium meum intende.

R. Domine ad adjuvandum me festina.

V. Gloria Patri, et Filio, et Spiritui Sancto.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper, et in sæcula sæculorum. Amen. Alleluia.

From Saturday before Septuagesima Sunday
Alleluia

Laus tibi Domine, Rex æternæ gloriæ.

Ant. Dixit Dominus.

In Paschal Time the only Anthem

PSALM CIX.

DIXIT Dominus Domino meo: Sede à dextris meis.

2. Donec ponam inimicos tuos scabellum pedum tuorum.

3. Virgam virtutis tuæ emittet Dominus ex Sion: dominare in medio inimicorum tuorum.

4. Tecum principium in die virtutis tuæ, in splendoribus sanctorum; ex utero ante luciferum genui te.

5. Juravit Dominus, et non pœnitebit eum: tu es Sacerdos in æternum secundum ordinem Melchisedech.

6. Dominus à dextris tuis, confregit in die iræ suæ reges.

The Common Vespers on Sundays.

in silence, the Priest sings aloud,—

V. INCLINE unto my aid, O God.

R. O Lord, make haste to help me.

V. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

till Saturday in Holy Week, instead of is said,—

Praise be to Thee, O Lord, King of eternal glory.

Anth. The Lord said.

to all the Psalms is Alleluia.

PSALM CIX.

THE Lord said to my Lord: Sit thou at my right hand.

2. Until I make thine enemies the footstool of thy feet.

3. The Lord shall send forth the sceptre of thy might from *Sion*: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. 4. Thine shall be the sovereignty, in the day of thy might, in the brightness of the saints: from the womb, before the day-star, I begot thee. 5. The Lord hath sworn, and he will not repent: thou art a priest for ever, according to the order of *Melchisedech*. 6. The Lord on thy right hand, hath crushed kings in the day of his wrath. 7. He shall judge the nations, he

7. Judicabit in nationibus, implebit ruinas: conquassabit capita in terra multorum.

8. De torrente in via bibet: propterea exaltabit caput.

Gloria Patri, &c.

Gloria Patri, &c. is said

Ant. Dixit Dominus Domino meo, Sede à dextris meis.

Ant. Fidelia.

PSALM CX.

CONFITEBOR tibi Domine in toto corde meo: in consilio justorum, et congregatione.

2. Nagna opera Domini: exquisita in omnes voluntates ejus.

3. Confessio et magnificentia opus ejus: et justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

4. Memoriam fecit mirabilium suorum, misericors et miserator Dominus: escam dedit timentibus se.

5. Memor erit in sæculum testamenti sui: virtutem operum suorum annuntiabit populo suo:

6. Ut det illis hæreditatem Gentium: opera manuum ejus, veritas et judicium.

7. Fidelia omnia mandata ejus, confirmata in sæculum sæculi: facta in veritate et æquitate.

8. Redemptionem misit populo suo: mandavit in æternum testamentum suum.

9. Sanctum et terribile nomen ejus: initium sapientiæ timor Domini.

10. Intellectus bonus omnibus facientibus

shall accomplish *their* ruin : he shall crush heads in the land of many. 8. He shall drink of the brook in the way : therefore shall he raise up his head. Glory, &c.

at the end of every Psalm.

Anth. The Lord said to my Lord, Sit thou at my right-hand.

Anth. True.

PSALM CX.

I WILL praise Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: in the assembly of the righteous, and in the congregation. 2. Great are the works of the Lord: exquisite *and agreeable* to all his designs. 3. His work *is his* praise and glory; and his justice remaineth for ever. 4. The merciful and gracious Lord hath appointed a memorial of his wonderful works: he hath given food to them that fear him. 5. He will be for ever mindful of his covenant: the greatness of his works will he publish to his people. 6 To give them the inheritance of the *Gentiles*: the works of his hands are truth and justice. 7. True *and lasting* are all his ordinances, confirmed for ever and ever: made in truth and justice. 8. He hath sent redemption to his people: he hath appointed his covenant for ever. 9. Holy and awful is his name: the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. 10. All under-

eum: laudatio ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

Ant. Fidelia omnia mandata ejus; confirmata in sæculum sæculi.

Ant. In mandatis.

PSALM CXI.

BEATUS vir qui timet Dominum: in mandatis ejus volet nimis.

2. Potens in terra erit semen ejus; generatio rectorum benedicetur.

3. Gloria et divitiæ in domo ejus: et justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi.

4. Exortum est in tenebris lumen rectis: misericors, et miserator, et justus.

5. Jucundus homo qui miseretur et commodat, disponet sermones suos in judicio: quia in æternum non commovebitur.

6. In memoria æterna erit justus: ab auditione mala non timebit.

7. Paratum cor ejus sperare in Domino, confirmatum est cor ejus; non commovebitur donec despiciat inimicos suos.

8. Dispersit, dedit pauperibus; justitia ejus manet in sæculum sæculi: cornu ejus exaltabitur in gloria.

9. Peccator videbit, et irascetur, dentibus suis fremet et tabescet: desiderium peccatorum peribit.

Ant. In mandatis ejus cupit nimis.

Ant. Sit nomen Domini.

stand it aright, who practise it: his praise endureth for ever and ever.

Anth. True are all his ordinances; confirmed for ever and ever.

Anth. In his commandments.

PSALM CXI.

BLESSED is the man that feareth the Lord: in his commandments he shall take great delight. 2. Mighty on earth shall be his seed: the generation of the righteous shall be blessed. 3. Glory and wealth shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever and ever. 4. He is risen in darkness a light to the upright: he is merciful, just, and compassionate. 5. Acceptable is the man that sheweth mercy and lendeth: he shall order his words with judgment: and he shall never give way. 6. The righteous man shall be in eternal remembrance: he shall not fear an evil report. 7. His heart is ready to hope in the Lord: his heart is strengthened: he shall not yield till he despise his enemies. 8. He hath distributed and given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever: his power shall be exalted in glory. 9. The sinner shall see it, and be enraged; he shall gnash his teeth, and pine away: the desire of sinners shall perish.

Anth. In his commandments he shall take great delight.

Anth. Let the name of the Lord.

Psalm cxii.

LAUDATE pueri Dominum: laudate nomen Domini.

2. Sit nomen Domini benedictum: ex hoc nunc, et usque in sæculum.

3. A solis ortu usque ad occasum: laudabile nomen Domini.

4. Excelsus super omnes gentes Dominus: et super cœlos gloria ejus.

5. Quis sicut Dominus Deus noster, qui in altis habitat: et humilia respicit in cœlo et in terra?

6. Suscitans à terra inopem: et de stercore erigens pauperem:

7. Ut collocet eum cum principibus: cum principibus populi sui.

8. Qui habitare facit sterilem in domo: matrem filiorum lætantem.

Ant. Sit nomen Domini benedictum in sæcula.

Ant. Nos qui vivimus.

Psalm cxiii.

IN exitu Israel de Ægypto: domus Jacob de populo barbaro:

2. Facta est Judæa sanctificatio ejus: Israel potestas ejus.

3. Mare vidit et fugit; Jordanis conversus est retrorsum.

4. Montes exultaverunt ut arietes: et colles sicut agni ovium.

5. Quid est tibi mare, quod fugisti? et tu Jordanis, quia conversus es retrorsum?

Psalm cxii.

PRAISE the Lord, ye servants of the Lord: praise ye the name of the Lord. 2. Let the name of the Lord be blessed: now and for evermore. 3. From the rising of the sun to the setting thereof: worthy of praise is the name of the Lord. 4. High is the Lord above all the nations: and above the heavens is his glory. 5. Who is like unto the Lord our God, who dwelleth on high: and beholdeth what is below in heaven, and on earth? 6. Who from the earth raiseth up the needy one: and from the dunghill lifteth up the poor one: 7. To place him with the princes: with the princes of his people. 8. Who maketh the barren woman to dwell in her house: the joyful mother of many children.

Anth. Let the name of the Lord be blessed for evermore.

Anth. We who are alive.

Psalm cxiii.

WHEN *Israel* went out of *Egypt*; the house of Jacob from a barbarous people: 2. *Judæa* became his sanctuary: *Israel* his empire. 3. The sea saw them and fled: the *Jordan* ran back to its fountain head. 4. The mountains skipped like rams, and the hills like the lambs of ewes. 5. What ailed thee, O sea, that thou didst run back to thy fountain-head? 6. Ye mountains, that

6. Montes exultastis sicut arietes ? et colles sicut agni ovium ?

7. A facie Domini mota est terra: à facie Dei Jacob.

8. Qui convertit petram in stagna aquarum: et rupem in fontes aquarum.

9. Non nobis Domine, non nobis: sed nomini tuo da gloriam.

10. Super misericordia tua, et veritate tua: nequando dicant Gentes, ubi est Deus eorum ?

11. Deus autem noster in cœlo: omnia quæcumque voluit, fecit.

12. Simulacra Gentium argentum et aurum: opera manuum hominum.

13. Os habent, et non loquentur: oculos habent, et non videbunt.

14. Aures habent, et non audient: nares habent, et non odorabunt.

15. Manus habent, et non palpabunt: pedes habent, et non ambulabunt: non clamabunt in gutture suo.

16. Similes illis fiant qui faciunt ea: et omnes qui confidunt in eis.

17. Domus Israel speravit in Domino: adjutor eorum, et protector eorum est.

18. Domus Aaron speravit in Domino: adjutor eorum, et protector eorum est.

19. Qui timent Dominum speraverunt in Domino: adjutor eorum, et protector eorum est.

20. Dominus memor fuit nostri: et benedixit nobis.

skipped like rams? and ye hills, like the lambs of ewes? 7. At the presence of the Lord the earth trembled: at the presence of the God of *Jacob*. 8. Who changed the rock into pools of water: and the stony hills into fountains of water. 9. Not to us, O Lord, not to us; but unto Thy name give *all* the glory. 10. For Thy mercy's sake, and for Thy sure promise: never let the *Gentiles* say, where now is their God? 11. For our God is in heaven; he hath done all things whatsoever he pleased. 12. The *idols* of the *Gentiles* are *but* silver and gold: the works of the hands of men. 13. They have mouths, but they shall not speak: they have eyes, but they shall not see. 14. They have ears, but they shall not hear; they have nostrils, but they shall not smell. 15. They have hands, but they shall not feel; they have feet, but they shall not walk: neither shall they cry out with their throat. 16. Let those that make them become like unto them: and all that put their trust in them. 17. The house of *Israel* hath hoped in the Lord: he is their help, and their protector. 18. The house of *Aaron* hath hoped in the Lord: he is their help, and their protector. 19. They who fear the Lord, have hoped in the Lord: he is their help and their protector. 20. The Lord hath been mindful of us: and hath blessed us. 21. He hath blessed the house of *Israel*: he hath blessed the house of *Aaron*. 22. He hath blessed all who fear the Lord: the little

21. Benedixit domui Israel : benedixit domui Aaron.

22. Benedixit omnibus qui timent Dominum : pusillis cum majoribus.

23. Adjiciat Dominus super vos : super vos et super filios vestros.

24. Benedicti vos à Domino : qui fecit cœlum et terram.

25. Cœlum cœli Domino : terram autem dedit filiis hominum.

26. Non mortui laudabunt te Domine : neque omnes qui descendunt in infernum.

27. Sed nos qui vivimus, benedicimus Domino : ex hoc nunc et usque in sæculum.

Ant. Nos qui vivimus benedicimus Domino.

Ant. Tempore Pascali, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*Instead of the foregoing, the
Psalm cxvi.*

LAUDATE Dominum omnes gentes : laudate eum omnes populi.

2. Quoniam confirmata est super nos misericordia ejus : et veritas Domini manet in æternum.

The little Chapter.—2 Cor. i.

BENEDICTUS Deus, et Pater Domini nostri Jesu Christi, Pater misericordiarum, et Deus totius consolationis, qui consolatur nos in omni tribulatione nostra.

R. Deo gratias.

**** This little chapter is said at the end of the Septuagesima, and from the 3d after Pentecost*

with the great. 23. May the Lord still heap *his blessings* on you: on you and on your children. 24. Be ye blessed by the Lord: who made both heaven and earth. 25. The heaven of heavens is the Lord's *abode*: but the earth he has given to the sons of men. 26. The dead shall not praise Thee, O Lord: nor any of those who are gone down to hell. 27. But we, who are alive, bless the Lord: now, and for ever more.

Anth. We, who are alive, bless the Lord.

Anth. In Paschal time, Alleluia.

following is occasionally sung.

Psalm cxvi.

PRAISE the Lord, all ye nations: praise him all ye people.

2. Because his mercy is confirmed upon us: and the truth of the Lord remaineth for ever.

The little Chapter.—2 Cor. i.

BLESSED be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all consolation, who comforteth us in all our tribulation.

R. Thanks be to God.

Psalm, from the 2d Sunday after Epiphany to Advent, together with the following Hymn

LUCIS Creator optime,
Lucem dierum proferens,
Primordiis lucis novæ
Mundi parans originem :

2. Qui mane junctum vesperi
Diem vocari præcipis ;
Illabitur tetrum chaos,
Audi preces cum fletibus.

3. Ne mens gravata crimine,
Vitæ sit exul munere,
Dum nil perenne cogitat,
Seseque culpis illigat.

4. Cœleste pulset ostium :
Vitale tollat præmium :
Vitemus omne noxium :
Purgemus omne pessimum.

5. Præsta, Pater piissime,
Patrique compar unice,
Cum Spiritu Paraclito,
Regnans per omne sæculum. *Amen.*

V. Dirigatur Domine, oratio mea,

R. Sicut incensum in conspectu tuo.

The Anthem for the Magnificat

CREATOR of the radiant light,
Dividing day from sable night :
Who with the light's bright origin,
The world's creation didst begin.

2. Who of the morn and ev'ning ray
Mad'st measur'd light and call'd it day :
Black night begins to cloud the spheres,
Vouchsafe to hear our sighs and tears.

3. Whilst with our crimes we burden'd are,
And fall'n a prey to Satan's snare ;
Whilst fading pleasures us deceive,
Let not our souls our bodies leave.

4. Let us at heaven for mercy knock,
Let us the gates of life unlock :
Whatever's evil let us fly,
And punish past iniquity.

5. Most clement Father, lend thine ear,
Co-equal Son, receive our pray'r :
O holy Spirit, hear our cry,
Who reign all three eternally. *Amen.*

V. Let my prayer ascend, O Lord,

R. Like incense in thy sight.
is different every Sunday.

The Song of the B. V. Mary, Luke i. 46.

MAGNIFICAT anima mea Dominum :

2. Et exultavit spiritus meus : in Deo salutari meo.

3. Quia respexit humilitatem ancillæ suæ : ecce enim ex hoc beatam me dicent omnes generationes.

4. Quia fecit mihi magna qui potens est : et sanctum nomen ejus.

5. Et misericordia ejus à progenie in progenies, timentibus eum.

6. Fecit potentiam in brachio suo : dispersit superbos mente cordis sui.

7. Deposuit potentes de sede : et exaltavit humiles.

8. Esurientes implevit bonis : et divites dimisit inanes.

9. Suscepit Israel puerum suum : recordatus misericordiæ suæ.

10. Sicut locutus est ad patres nostros : Abraham, et semini ejus in sæcula.

Gloria Patri, &c.

The Song of the B. V. Mary, Luke i. 46.

MY soul doth magnify the Lord: 2. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. 3. For he hath looked down on his lowly handmaid: for behold from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. 4. For he who is mighty hath done great things to me: and holy is his name. 5. And his mercy from generation to generation, is *shewn* to those who fear him. 6. He hath exerted his strength by his *own* arm: he hath disappointed the proud ones of the designs of their hearts. 7. He hath cast down the mighty ones from the throne: and raised up the lowly ones. 8. He hath filled the hungry with good things: but the rich he hath sent empty away. 9. He hath upholden his servant *Israel*: being mindful of his mercy. 10. As he promised to our fathers: to *Abraham* and his seed for ever.

The prayer is the Collect of the day, which being different every Sunday, you may say,

Let us pray.

LOOK down, we beseech thee, O Lord, upon this thy family, for which our Lord Jesus Christ did not hesitate to be delivered into the hands of sinners, and to undergo the torment of the cross. Who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen.

A Commemoration of the B. Virgin Mary.

Anthem. O HOLY Mary, succour the miserable, help the faint-hearted, comfort the afflicted: pray for the people, intercede for the clergy, make supplication for the devout female sex; let all be sensible of thy help, who celebrate thy holy commemoration.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray.

GRANT, we beseech thee, O Lord God, that we thy servants may enjoy perpetual health of mind and body: and by the glorious intercession of blessed Mary, ever Virgin,

may be delivered from present sorrows, and come to eternal joys, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

*A Commemoration of the holy Apostles
Peter and Paul.*

Anthem. The Apostle Peter, and Paul the doctor of the Gentiles, were they that taught us thy law, O Lord.

V. Thou shalt establish them rulers over the whole earth.

R. They shall be mindful of thy name, O Lord.

Let us pray.

O GOD, whose right hand raised up St. Peter walking on the waters, that he might not be drowned; and delivered his fellow apostle Paul from the depth of the sea, when he was thrice shipwrecked; mercifully hear us, and grant by the merits of them both we may obtain the glory of eternity.

*After High Mass and Vespers, the following
V. R. and Prayer, are sung for the Queen.*

P. Domine salvum P. O Lord save our
fac Reginam nostram Queen Victoria.
Victoriam.

R. Et exaudi nos
in die qua invocaveri-
mus te. Gloria Patri,
&c.

R. And hear us in
the day when we shall
call upon thee. Glory,
&c.

Oremus.

QUÆSUMUS, om-
nipotens Deus, ut
famula tua Victoria
Regina nostra, quæ
tuâ miseratione sus-
cepit regni guberna-
cula, virtutum etiam
omnium percipiat in-
crementa; quibus de-
center ornatus, et viti-
rum monstra divitare,
hostes superare, et ad
te, qui via, veritas et
vita es graciosus valeat
pervenire. Per Domi-
num nostrum Jesum
Christum, &c.

Let us pray.

WE beseech thee,
O Almighty God, that
thy servant Victoria,
our Queen, who thro'
thy mercy hath un-
dertaken the govern-
ment of these realms,
may also receive an
increase of all virtues,
wherewith being a-
dorned, she may avoid
the enormity of sin,
vanquish her enemies
and being rendered
acceptable in thy
sight, may come at
length to thee, who
art the way, the truth,
and the life. Through
Christ, &c.

At Solemn Benediction.

Whilst the Priest takes the Blessed Sacrament out of the Tabernacle, the Choir sings;

SALUTARIS hos-	O SAVING Host !
tia !	that heaven's gate
Quæ cœli pandis	Laidst open at so dear
ostium ;	a rate ;
Bella premunt hosti-	Intestine wars invade
lia,	our breast,
Da robur, fer aux-	Be thou our strength,
ilium.	support, and rest.
2. Uni trinoque Do-	2. To God the Father
mino,	and the Son.
Sit sempiternâ glo-	And Holy Spirit,
ria :	Three in One,
Qui vitam sine ter-	Be endless praise,
mino,	may He above,
Nobis donet in pa-	With life eternal
triâ.	crown our love.

At the Benediction.

TANTUM ergo Sa-	TO this mysterious
cramentum,	table now
Veneremur cernui :	Our knees, our hearts,
	and sense we bow ;
Et antiquum docu-	Let ancient rights re-
mentum	sign their place
Novo cedat ritui ;	To nobler elements of
	grace ;
Præstet fides supple-	And faith for all de-
mentum,	fects supply,
Sensuum defectui.	While sense is lost in
	mystery.
Genitori, Genitoque	To God the Father,
	born of none,
Laus et jubilatio ;	To Christ his co-eter-
	nal Son,
Salus, honor, virtus,	And Holy Ghost,
quoque,	whose equal rays
Sit et benedictio ;	From both proceed,
	be equal praise :
Procedenti ab utro-	One honour, jubilee,
que,	and fame,
Compar sit laudatio.	For ever bless his glo-
Amen.	rious name. Amen.

V. Panem de cœlo
præstitisti eis. Alle-
luia.

R. Omne delecta-
mentum in se haben-
tem. Alleluia.

V. Thou hast given
them bread from hea-
ven. Alleluia.

R. Replenished with
whatever is delicious.
Alleluia.

Oremus.

Let us Pray.

DEUS qui nobis, sub
sacramento mirabili,
passionis tuæ memo-
riam reliquisti; tri-
bue, quæsumus ita
nos corporis et san-
guinis tui sacra mys-
teria venerari ut re-
demptionis tuæ fruc-
tum in nobis jugiter
sentiamus. Qui vivis,
&c.

O GOD, who in this
wonderful sacrament
hast left us a perpe-
tual memorial of thy
passion; grant us, we
beseech thee, so to
reverence the sacred
mysteries of thy body
and blood, as in our
souls to be always
sensible of the re-
demption thou hast
purchased for us.
Who livest, &c.

Anthems of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

*From 1st Sunday of Advent, till the Puri-
fication.*

ALMA Redemptoris mater, quæ pervia cœli
porta manes,
Et stella maris, succure cadenti,
Surgere qui curat populo ; tu quæ genuisti,
Natura mirante, tuum sanctum genitorum ;
Virgo priùs ac posteriùs, Gabrielis ab ore
Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.

V. Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariæ.

R. Et concepit de Spiritu Sancto.

Oremus.

GRATIAM tuam, quæsumus Domine,
mentibus nostris infunde : ut qui angelo nun-
tiantie Christi Filii tui incarnationem cogno-
vimus, per passionem ejus et crucem ad re-
surrectionis gloriam perducamur. Per eun-
dem Dominum. &c.

R. Amen.

*From the First Vespers of Christmas-day,
is said.—*

V. Post partum virgo inviolata perman-
sisti.

R. Dei genitrix intercede pro nobis.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui salutis æternæ beatæ Mariæ
virginitate fœcunda, humano generi præmia
præstitisti; tribue quæsumus, ut ipsam pro
nobis intercedere sentiamus, per quam me-
ruimus auctorem vitæ suscipere Dominum
nostrum Jesum Christum. Qui, &c.

R. Amen.

*Anthem from the Purification until Maundy
Thursday.*

AVE regina cœlorum,
Ave domina angelorum,
Salve radix, salve porta,
Ex qua mundo lux est orta;
Gaude virgo gloriosa,
Super omnes speciosa;
Vale ô valde, decora,
Et pro nobis Christum exora.

V. Dignare me, laudare te, virgo sacrata.

R. Da mihi virtutem contra hostes tuos.

Oremus.

CONCEDE, misericors Deus, fragilitati nostræ præsidium: ut qui sanctæ Dei Genitricis memoriam agimus, intercessionis ejus auxilio, à nostris iniquitatibus resurgamus. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.

Anthem from Holy Saturday until Trinity Eve.

REGINA cœli lætare, Alleluia.

Quia quem meruisti portare, Alleluia.

Resurrexit sicut dixit, Alleluia.

Ora pro nobis Deum, Alleluia.

V. Gaude et lætare, Virgo Maria, Alleluia.

R. Quia surrexit Dominus vere, Alleluia.

Oremus.

DEUS, qui per resurrectionem Filii tui Domini nostri Jesu Christi mundum lætificare, dignatus es; præsta quæsumus, ut per ejus genitricem virginem Mariam perpetuæ capiamus gaudia vitæ. Per eundem.

Anthem from Trinity Eve until Advent.

SALVE Regina, mater misericordiæ!—vita dulcedo, et spes nostra salve!

Ad te clamamus exules Filii Hævæ.

Ad te suspiramus gementes et flentes in hac
lacrymarum valle.

Eja erga advocata nostra illos tuos misericor-
des oculos ad nos converte.

Et Jesum benedictum fructum ventris tui,
nobis post hoc exilium ostende.

O clemens,

O pia,

O dulcis virgo Maria.

V. Ora pro nobis sancta Dei genitrix.

R. Ut digni efficiamur promissionibus
Christi.

Oremus.

OMNIPOTENS sempiternæ Deus, qui glo-
riosæ Virginis Matris Mariæ corpus et ani-
mam, ut dignum Filii tui habitaculum effi-
meretur, Spiritu Sancto co-operante, pre-
parasti: da, ut cujus commemoratione læta-
mur ejus pia intercessione ab instantibus
malis et à morte perpetua liberemur. Per
eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.

R. Amen.

Adeste Fideles.

*From Christmas-day to the Octave of the
Epiphany.*

ADESTE Fideles,
Læti triumphantes ;
Venite, venite in Bethlehem ;
Natum videte
Regem angelorum :
Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus,
Venite adoremus Dominum.

2. Deum de Deo,
Lumen de lumine.
Gestant puellæ viscera :

Deum verum,
Genitum non factum :
Venite adoremus, &c.

3. Cantet nunc Io chorus angelorum,
Cantet nunc aula cœlestium,
Gloria in excelsis Deo :
Venite adoremus, &c.

4. Ergo qui natus
Die hodierna,
Jesu tibi sit gloria :
Patris æterni
Verbum caro factum :
Venite adoremus, &c.

The Angelus Domini,

*To be said Morning, Noon, and Night, in
Memory of our Saviour's becoming Man
for our Salvation.*

1. THE angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, and she conceived of the Holy Ghost. Hail Mary, &c.—2. Behold the handmaid of the Lord; may it be done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary, &c.—3. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us. Hail Mary, &c.

Let us Pray.

POUR forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the incarnation of Christ thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may, by his passion and cross, be brought to the glory of his resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Prayer to obtain a Happy Death.

O JESUS CHRIST, the increated wisdom of God, be my aid. O Blessed Virgin, listen unto me; mother of the Saviour of the world, assist me. Mother of God, lady of heaven, sweetly beloved queen, and advocate of all human lineage, pray come, amiable and mild lady, lady of angels, flower of the patriarchs, desire of the prophets, treasure of the apostles, mother of confessors, ornament of virgins, O sweet Virgin Mary, pray for me; lady, who art heard above the company of angels, preserve me from all evils, past, present, and to come; do not abandon me this day, nor at that dreadful hour, when my soul shall be separated from my body; but obtain for me, sweet virgin, at the time of my death and judgment, that my soul may come to the heavenly paradise before your child Jesus, and that I may be worthy to see his grace and everlasting glory with you. O gate of paradise, palace of Jesus Christ, star of the sea, consolation of mankind, beginning without end, take pity on me. O sweet and blessed Virgin Mary, daughter of God the Father,

mother of Jesus Christ, and spouse of the Holy Ghost, gate of heaven, door of the firmament, hope of Christians, fountain of piety, safeguard of peace, glory of virgins, honoured above all angels, mother of mercy, miracle of virginity, virgin above all virgins, temple of the most holy Trinity, beautiful above all creatures. O lady of meekness, abyss of mildness, hope of the sorrowful, consolation of the afflicted, in you the angels do rejoice. O sweet lady of mercy, turn your merciful eyes unto me, and obtain for me, by thy powerful intercession, more grace and peace in this life, and eternal happiness in the next.

FINIS.

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